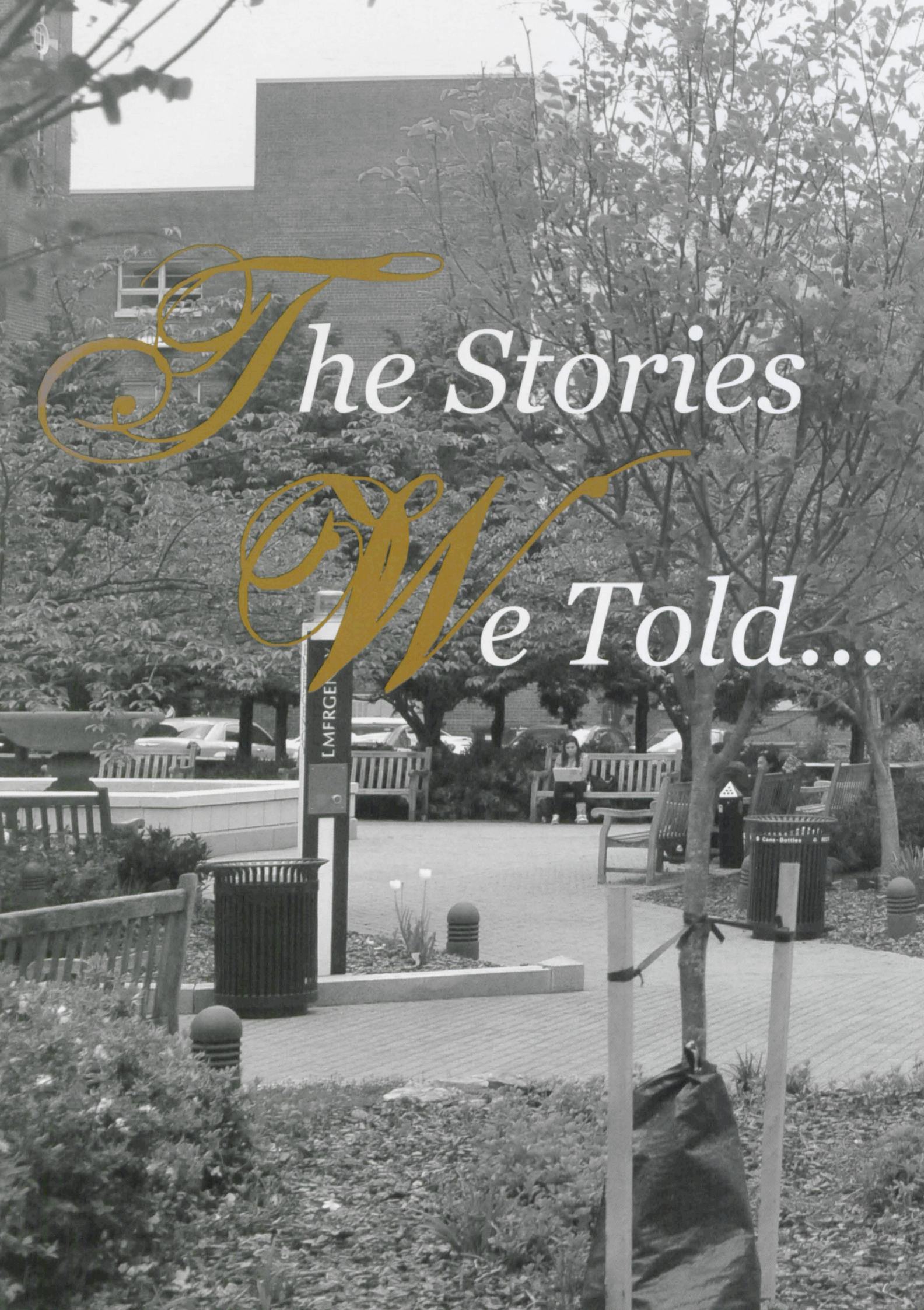
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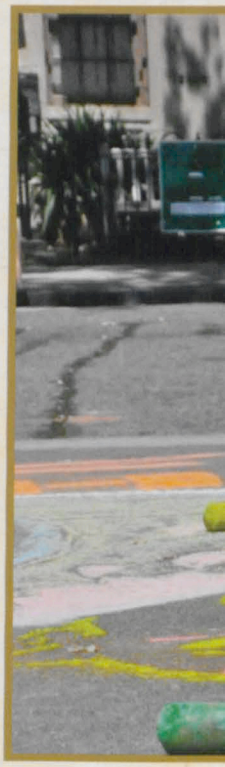
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The Last Four Years



To the Class of 2013:

And so it has arrived: the conclusion to our four years as GW students. Let us take this moment to reflect on all we have witnessed, experienced and accomplished over these past eight semesters. It has been a period of change: the campus we stepped onto four years ago is not the same campus we walk away from today. We've carried two different GWorlds in our pockets, dined at three different J Streets and crossed a hundred different D.C. streets. We've seen the renovation of Gelman Library and watched the construction of new buildings in Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon. We've scoured Whole Foods for groceries, danced on the tables at McFadden's, gorged ourselves on burritos at Chipotle and sought countless caffeine boosts at Starbucks. We even saw the face of our namesake change when the university revamped its image in 2012.

With these changes came changes in the political and meteorological climates of Washington, D.C. In 2010, we found ourselves face to face with a game-changing midterm election and an apocalyptic snowstorm, aptly named Snowpocalypse. Two years later we were faced with an equally suspenseful presidential election and storms of two different varieties, Hurricane Sandy in 2012 and the snowless Snowquester in 2013. We also witnessed the competing Tea Party Rally and Rally to Restore Sanity in fall 2010, the death Osama Bin Laden in spring 2011, an earthquake in fall 2011 and a few severe rainstorms that flooded the sidewalks and mucked up our boots.



But neither politics nor weather could keep us from taking advantage of everything our nation's capital had to offer. During our time as D.C. residents, we picnicked on the Mall, traveled on the Metro, toured the Smithsonian, studied at the Library of Congress, played hockey by the Whitehouse, threw snowballs in Dupont, window-shopped in Georgetown and biked through Rock Creek Park. We even got front row seats at the second Inauguration of President Barack Obama, whose residency in 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue continued through the whole of our stay at GW. We reveled in these moments, striving, as Thoreau said, to live deep and suck out all the marrow of life.

Yet equally vital to our lives as GW students were our own accomplishments: the sought-after internship, the prize-winning paper, the student leadership position, the coveted athletic championship. To us, these were more than just lines on a resume; they were integral plot points in the stories we told, stories that would remain imprinted in our memories for years to come.

But now, as we prepare to graduate, the time has come for us to move on to the next chapter of our lives. Go out and tell it!

—Jessica Chace
Editor-in-Chief














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A Storm of Applause

Hundreds of students celebrated the start of the school year in what was sure to one of the most memorable Fall Fests in the University's history.



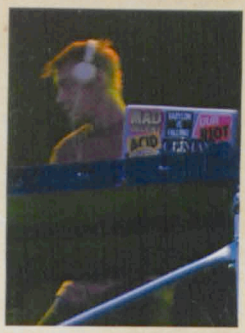
Students once again returned to GW excited for the year's arguably most popular event. By the time Fall Fest came to a close, it was clear to everyone that Program Board made a good choice in hiring the second consecutive electronic DJ, Diplo, after Girl Talk headlined the also memorable event last fall. Eager groups of students made their way to University Yard at around 6 p.m. in order to stand as close to the stage as possible. At 7:30, the day's heat and mugginess showed no signs of clearing up as students anxiously raced to U-Yard just as Diplo took the stage, with occasional flashes of lightning in the background complimenting the strobe lights flashing on the crowd. But Diplo assured the crowd that even the threatening weather





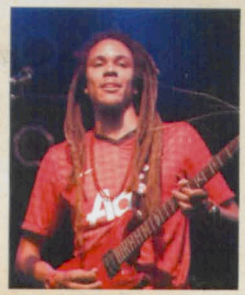


Character Snapshots



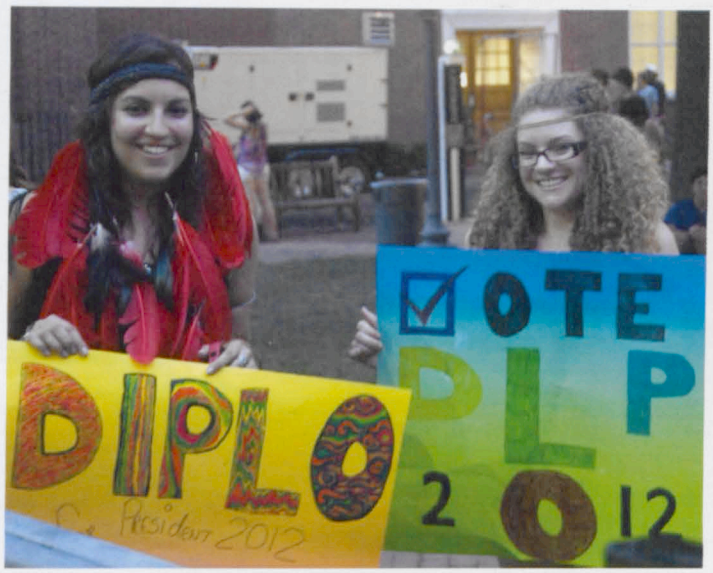
Diplo

Thomas Wesley Pentz was a DJ, rapper, songwriter and producer based out of Philly. He was well known as the creator of the popular musical project Major Lazer. Diplo was a shortened form of the dinosaur Diplodocus, inspired by his childhood love of dinosaurs.



RDGRNGLD

Previously known as The Five One, they became RDGRNGLD (spoken Red Green Gold) when one member went solo. Each member went by one of the names of one of the colors and wore their respective color everyday.





would not cut short the performance. "There's some lightning out there, but we're going to party 'till we can't no more, OK?" he said. Even the high heat of the evening didn't stop students from pushing their way through the crowd to get as close to the front of the stage as possible. Many were scattered around the sides of University Yard drenched in sweat and taking a break before they decided to join the crowd again. About an hour and a half after he took the stage, Diplo played one final encore that ended just before heavy rain drenched the already soaked crowd even further. At that point, students ran out of University Yard as quickly as they came with the concert's music still ringing in their ears.

The First Day of a Lifetime of Service

New freshmen committed to a day of service in memory of 9/11 while their senior counterparts, who led the way for the Freshman Day of Service, prepared to graduate.



When the Class of 2013 were freshmen, an annual tradition began that would go down in GW history, thanks to a challenge posed by Michelle Obama on the day of its inception. She challenged GW students to complete 100,000 hours of community service and in return she would be the commencement speaker for the Class of 2010. As a result, the annual Freshman Day of Service proved itself after only its first year by contributing significantly to the ultimate achievement of Mrs. Obama's challenge. The Freshman Day of Service continued again this year on the Saturday before the 11th anniversary of 9/11 with the first ever wave of participating freshman as seniors. The service day once again coincided with the Freshman Convocation for the Class of 2016 in the Smith Center.

"Holding the Freshman Day of Service in conjunction with Freshman Convocation is a great match, integrating all of the hallmarks of the GW experience: excellence in academics, in service and in community life," said Amy Cohen, executive director of the Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service.

President Steven Knapp set the tone for the day and for the incoming freshman's future careers at GW when he took the stage: "Today you will become a part of our legacy of service, and I hope this will just be the start of your commitment to serve." After convocation, nearly 2,400 participating freshmen were bussed to 35 sites across the city including schools, parks and retirement facilities.



Setting: Schools in the District



As in previous years, the Freshman Day of Service focused largely Educational Advancement. In light of this, many freshman served at local public high schools, including over 100 students who worked at Duke Ellington School of the Arts in Georgetown and Coolidge High School in Takoma, where they worked in the school garden and painted the playground. There were 35 different locations visited this year for the 4th Anual Freshman Day of Service.







Character Snapshot



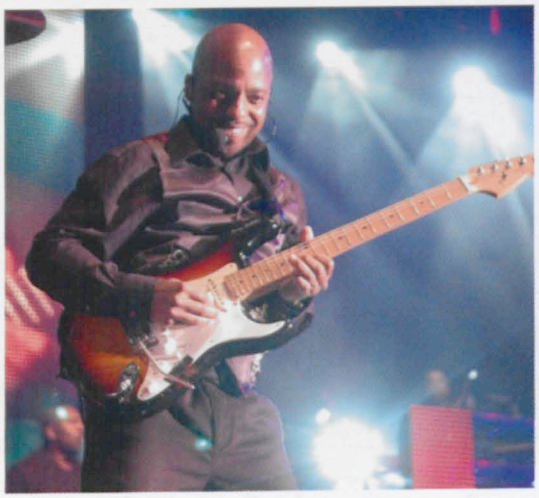
"Freshman Day of Service can be a foundation for a GW student's service experience, and it can be a catalyst for long-term and recurring service opportunities for one's GW experience. And at a civic-minded institution at GWU, that kind of life-changing event is crucial."

—Karissa Broderick-Beck

The Way We Used to Be

Over 2,800 alumni returned to campus for a weekend of memories of their time spent at GW.







Alumni weekend celebrations began with a performance in the Smith Center by Earth, Wind and Fire, a band that was most popular when many of the alumni in the audience were students at GW. As alumni, students and faculty danced and mingled on the floor, President Knapp joined the band on stage on the congas during their performance of their hit "September" for what was undoubtedly the highlight of the night, if not the whole weekend. In addition to the hugely successful concert, the weekend was filled with over 70 events for the growing amount of overall alumni participation, and alumni programming on the University's side. One of the weekend's consistently most popular events, Taste of GW, tripled in size this year and included 18 vendors, including student favorite, Founding Farmers. Vendors that are either alumni themselves or are related to alumni of the university provided much of the food options available. Students, faculty, alumni and parents were all seen under a tent in University Yard sampling various assortments of food from cupcakes and gelato to pizza and alcoholic beverages. For those alumni who wanted to get back in touch with their academic roots, GW also offered various lectures and panels run by current GW faculty. One of the most "buzzed" about seminars led by Biology Professor Harmut Doebel and co-sponsored by the Green Alumni Network was "What's the Buzz All About? GW's Honeybees." Alumni had the chance to visit the notorious honeybees on the roof of Lisner Hall and later enjoyed honey flavored candies in Bell Hall. By the end of the weekend, whether you were a politically, socially, academically or artistically minded alumni, Alumni Weekend featured an event for you, all of which blended together like GW's historically diverse students.



Setting: Taste of GW

One of Alumni Weekend's most popular events, Taste of GW, offered food and refreshments from 18 alumni-owned businesses. The event took place on University Yard where hundreds of alumni flocked into a tent offering food and refreshments ranging from an assortment of pork foods to cupcakes and even samplings of wine and gin. Tickets were passed out at the entrance to the tent and once inside, alumni scurried around like children at an arcade, excited to sample as many of the offerings as possible. Cocktail tables were scattered throughout the space at which alumni and students mingled and compared each other's culinary finds. One of the area's most popular restaurants among GW students, Founding Farmers, proved to be just as big a hit with alumni who lined up at their table throughout the event.









Bookstore Gifts

As a result of the stresses and hassles of buying books for their classes, students often overlooked all that the bookstore had to offer. Above the subterranean textbook section, the bookstore had a lot to offer in the way of gifts for all occasions.



GW Oven Mitt

Many GW students took their cooking very seriously. After all, it was likely the first time they'd had free reign of a kitchen. So why not cook with pride knowing that, thanks to GW, you could cook what you want every day of the week? Then when the school year came to a close you could mark your territory in your parents' kitchen and make sure to show off your new found cooking skills in lieu of leftover Thursdays.



GW Gift Wrap

The number one thing that everyone forgot when buying gifts is, of course, the gift wrap. So when you stopped by the bookstore to pick up gifts for your friends and family, you could make sure to pick up this buff and blue gift wrap set. The set included plenty of paper for multiple gifts as well as bows featuring the university logo, which made the perfect finishing touch for the ultimate GW gift.

GW Ornament

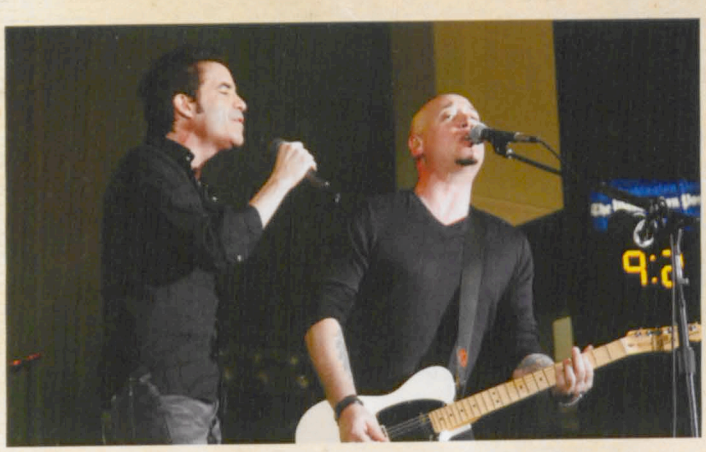


Your ornament-hoarding mother would appreciate this addition to her collections. Durable enough to survive her jumbled box of ornaments and pretty enough to grace her beloved Christmas tree, this ornament would remain in her collection forever, and be yours once it eventually ended up in your basement or garage.

Basketball Playing Gnome

Though most students likely did not have a lawn on which to express their school spirit, with this unique gnome, the message was just as effective when placed on their bookshelf or windowsill. Or you could always gift it to your lawn gnome-collecting uncle so you could remind him and he could remind the neighborhood that you went to GW... and you're both very proud.

Character Snapshot: Train performs at Colonials weekend





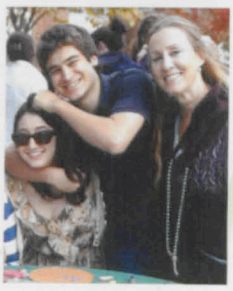


Colonials Weekend

This year's Colonials Weekend focused on life on both of GW's undergraduate campuses and celebrated 100 years of GW in Foggy Bottom.



Character Snapshot



"Even though my family is hard to please, by the end everyone was satisifed: my mother got to attend an incredible lecture given by a top neurologist, my brother got to carve and decorate pumpkins on the Vern and I got to dance with my dad at the OLAS's La Fiestasa and show off my new sorority to my family over brunch!"
—Tamara Mizrachi





Many students bogged down in midterms got some home-style relief when thousands of families from all over the country descended on campus for Colonials weekend. As always, the weekend kicked off on Saturday morning with a lecture by President Steven Knapp, along with student and university leaders, in which he addressed the school's many accomplishments over the past few months. Some of the accomplishments he addressed included the construction of the new Science and Engineering Hall as well as the recent groundbreaking of the future home of the School of Public Health. Later in the day, many students took their parents for a ride on the Vern Express to attend one of the weekend's most popular events, Octoberfest, on the Mount Vernon Campus. Families spent the afternoon on the campus quad carving pumpkins while enjoying fall desserts and beverages. Later that evening Grammy award winning band, Train, headlined the weekend with a performance in the Smith Center. The packed performance concluded an eventful day of introductions and welcomes back to life at GW for families of students of all classes. The following day was all about celebrating the Foggy Bottom campus in light of the University's presence here for 100 years. Just about 4,000 people from the Foggy Bottom/West End community joined students and their families for the 10th annual Foggy Bottom/West End Neighborhood Block Party on Eye Street. The event featured food and craft vendors from the community as well as a cake cut by President Knapp in celebration of the campus centennial.

Around the City

If one thing was clear, it was that D.C. was a city of neighborhoods, neighborhoods that students were eager to explore.





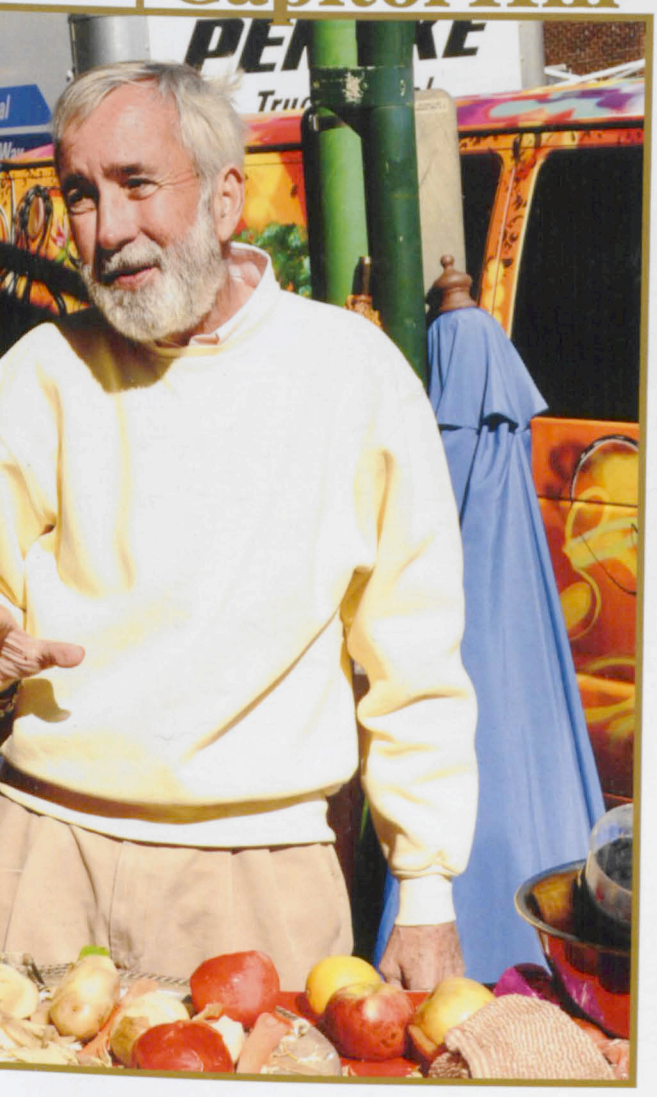
Largely ignored until the weekend, Capitol Hill became the place to go on a Sunday afternoon for students who could find the time to browse around its famous Eastern Market. Offering everything from handmade crafts and gifts to clothing, furniture and décor, the renowned flea market was an ideal location for students to pick up goods to add character to their dorm rooms. It was also particularly popular with upperclassmen who moved off campus for the first time and faced a serious lack of furnishings in their new apartments and townhouses. Students who spent enough time perusing the market had plenty of dining options within a couple of minutes' walk, including Good Stuff Eatery and We, the Pizza which provided relief to all the New Yorkers at GW who could finally indulge in pizza at least close to what they were used to.



U Street

A veritable though frequently overlooked nightlife location in comparison to Dupont Circle and Adams Morgan, U Street proved to be worthy of more than a GW freshman's first trip to Ben's Chili Bowl. With a schizophrenic array of nightlife options, U Street had something to offer every kind of GW student every night of the week. Velvet Lounge, a very intimate live music venue dominated by red walls and curtains of red velvet matching the furniture, was the place to go for students who needed a break from the Black Cat or the 9:30 Club. The backyard patio provided relief during all four seasons when the inside of the lounge inevitably got too muggy and students decided that it was worth it to take a break outside and mingle with a particularly diverse crowd. For students who felt that Velvet was just too small, DC9 proved to be a happy medium just a short walk down U Street. Despite having faced some controversy a while back, DC9 was making a serious comeback that was marked by the opening of its new roof deck, a bonus for one of D.C.'s standout live music venues.

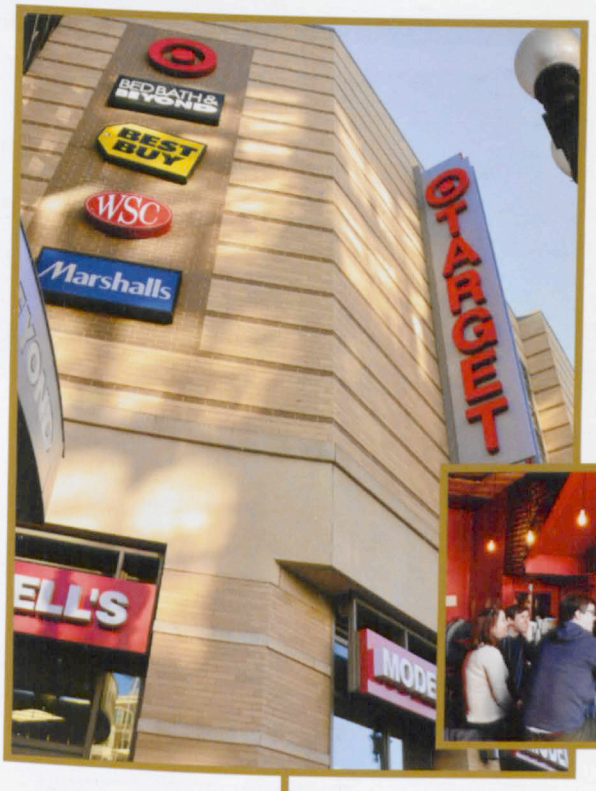
Capitol Hill



Despite being the official neighborhood home of another D.C. university, Georgetown was a favorite hang out for GW students any time of the week. M Street was flooded with students every weekend and on sunny days you could barely make it to Wisconsin Avenue before running into someone you knew. Home to some of the city's best restaurants, students were frequently seen out to dinner in the many small and secluded restaurants below M Street where perfect mood lighting was a given. But the neighborhood also had plenty to offer students in a more casual mood. With Georgetown leading the cupcake trend nationally, it was difficult to visit the neighborhood without stopping by Sprinkles, Georgetown Cupcakes or everyone's undeniable favorite, Baked & Wired. When it came to retail, everyone had a favorite store (or a couple of favorites) that they relied on to stay on trend while walking around campus.



Georgetown



Columbia Heights

Though not historically a very popular neighborhood among GW students who were interested in something more than a trip to Target, Columbia Heights gained some attention this year for its ultra low key bars. Students looking to escape the club scene of Dupont Circle and downtown Washington on a Friday or Saturday night found refuge in the much less frequented venues around 14th Street. The shabbiness of Red Derby's interior failed to overshadow the bar's unique offerings which included a plethora of games many students may not have seen since childhood like Connect Four, Apple to Apples and Candyland. A short walk away, students lounged downstairs at Wonderland Ballroom until they felt like partying upstairs where they danced to live music. The venue was also quietly famous for hosting one of the best annual Halloween parties in D.C.







Setting: Trick or Treat for Service



Photo by Avra Bossov

Everyone knew that GW students loved to have fun during Halloween but in light of GW's commitment to service, students also took time between their parties to trick-or-treat for service. Trick-or-Treat for Service, created in 2009, sent out GW student volunteers to collect non-perishable foods from households in Georgetown as well as in the Foxhall and McArthur communities on the Saturday evening before Halloween. The timing could not be more perfect considering that November is one of the most difficult months for food banks both nationally and in the DC area. The GW Mount Vernon Campus proudly served as a meeting point for university students in the entire DC area, including over 200 GW students, before they spread out into the surrounding communities. By the end of the evening, GW students further proved that they knew how to celebrate Halloween, whether they were partying with their friends or giving back to their community.

Halloween All Week

Halloween may have coincided with Hurricane Sandy this year but it couldn't stop the GW community from enjoying the Halloween season.

Halloween at GW was particularly scary this year given the threat of Hurricane Sandy haunting students throughout Halloween weekend. But GW students didn't let threatening weather stop them from engaging in the Halloween festivities. From the weekend before through Halloween on the following Wednesday, students were seen throughout campus wearing their costumes in preparation for the many parties and university sponsored events they attended. Students who thought they were too old for trick-or-treating were proved wrong on Saturday evening when many undergraduates convened on the Mount Vernon Campus before setting out into the campus's surrounding neighborhoods to collect non-perishable canned goods for donation. Back on the Foggy Bottom campus, many other students chose to attend the annual Oktoberfest event, hosted by the GW German Club, WRGW and Program Board, in Anniversary Park. Students of legal drinking age were welcome to sample a variety of German beers and sausages while mingling with their friends and acquaintances on the cool fall afternoon. As soon as Halloween weekend came to a close, Hurricane Sandy forced classes to be cancelled on Monday and Tuesday and put a damper on many students' Halloween plans. But whether they chose to catch up on their studies or on the horror movie marathon of their choice, students did not waste any of the days leading up to Halloween. On Tuesday night after the worst of the storm had passed through Halloween the next day, students were back on campus streets and throughout the city in full force celebrating the holiday.



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GW Voted!

During one of the tightest presidential elections in years, GW students put their passion for politics on display in the months leading up to the night of the main event.

Sooner or later, every GW student comes to the realization that once in their undergraduate career they will experience a presidential election while living in the geographical seat of the presidency. For most students it was the first time they were able to vote in a presidential election. This election between the incumbent President Barack Obama and Governor Mitt Romney was particularly exciting after being pegged in the media as the closest election in recent history. This fact was felt throughout campus in the months leading up to the election through the outspoken opinions of students who, though their political ideologies may have differed, were equally as enthusiastic regarding their choice for America's next president. Throughout the day, students were seen both in classes and on the street proudly sporting "I Voted!" stickers and buttons and encouraging others to do the same. Come election night, similarly confident students supporting either President Obama or Governor Romney hurried home from classes or the library to watch the events unfold. Two of the evening's biggest events were viewing parties in the Marvin Center hosted by Program Board, the GW College Democrats and the GW College Republicans. The College Republicans were in the Continental Ballroom with live coverage from FOX News. Meanwhile, the College Democrats celebrated in the Grand Ballroom with live coverage from MSNBC. Both events featured food as well as a mechanical bull for the Republicans and an inflatable alligator joust for the Democrats. Despite their political leanings, students were seen moving between both parties ad taking advantage of all they had to offer. Ultimately, and sooner than anyone expected, Presidents Obama was declared the winner of the election, leaving time for students to drop everything and run to the White House where they were joined by hundreds of other D.C. area university students and residents. Students began dispersing at around 1:30 the morning after election night, just in time to get some sleep before their classes later in the day.

Character Snapshots: Different Perspectives



"I was thrilled and exhilarated to celebrate the re-election of a man that inspired me in the future of America. The entire campus swarmed the White House to revel in the election of a man who had their best interests always at heart, and it was magical. To see that kind of visceral outpouring of support and love was the perfect expression of what we call 'American.'"

—Jane Guydan



"I went to Capital Grille with some friends to watch the election results. The grille was a really fun atmosphere, and Newt Gingrich and his wife were in the room next to our table! Then came back to campus, heard the news about the president being re-elected, which I was not happy about. Then watched the speeches with another friend."

—Lisa Campbell



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2012 Election Results



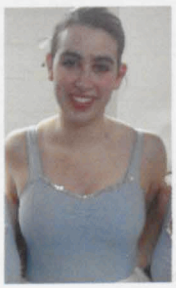


GW Celebrates the Holidays

Students took time out of their end-of-the year schedules to celebrate the holiday season in the District.



Character Snapshot



"The nutcracker was an amazing experience. This was my second time performing in it and the fact that students produce this whole show and choreograph it is amazing! I love working with these people and it really shows the talent of GW students!"

—Alexandra Tweedley









With classes winding down and finals and final papers separating students from winter break, the holiday season often went ignored until they returned home. However, many students took a break to take part in the holiday festivities being offered throughout the city, perhaps after being inspired by the decorations along M Street and in the surrounding store windows. One of the most popular things to do remained to be a trip down to the National Mall where students ice-skated alongside their favorite sculptures in the National Gallery of Art's Sculpture Garden. Though crowdswere unavoidable due to popularity, students who found the Sculpture Garden rink to be too crowded could try their luck at the newest rink located on Washington Harbor. There students could skate by the Potomac under the lights of the waterfront throughout the entire winter season. Another annual favorite attended by many GW students was the National Christmas Tree lighting. Students lucky enough to get tickets for the main event on December 6 hurried to the Ellipse that chilly evening and witnessed what was undoubtedly the most memorable event of the evening, President Barack Obama singing "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" with his eldest daughter Malia. Students who wanted continue or relive their favorite holiday traditions walked over to the Kennedy Center to see The Nutcracker. GW Hillel also sponsored a plethora of events for students who celebrated Hanukkah and offered study breaks for students who had to celebrate the holiday season as they simultaneously studied for finals. Hillel, along with American University and University of Maryland, also hosted a Fire & Ice skating happy hour at the Washington Harbor skating rink for alumni and seniors over the age of 21. But despite all the different events celebrating the many different holidays this winter, students were not afraid to celebrate outside their traditional boundaries and take advantage of all the season had to offer.

DC Restaurant Guide

Given GW's unique dining environment, students were forced to eat off campus frequently. Here are some of the best restaurants across the city for lunch and dinner, but who needs breakfast when brunch is so popular?



With three locations in D.C., Teaism was perfect for lunch on a day when you were off from work and classes and could take time away from your studies. Teaism's Dupont Circle location was recommended if you were planning on spending the day relaxing and enjoying the city. The casual spot was most famous for its namesake, an impressive variety of teas from all over the world, but also featured a sizeable menu of foods including Bento Boxes and daily specials like Korean BBQ Beef (on Wednesdays) and a Crab Cake Sandwich (on Thursdays).

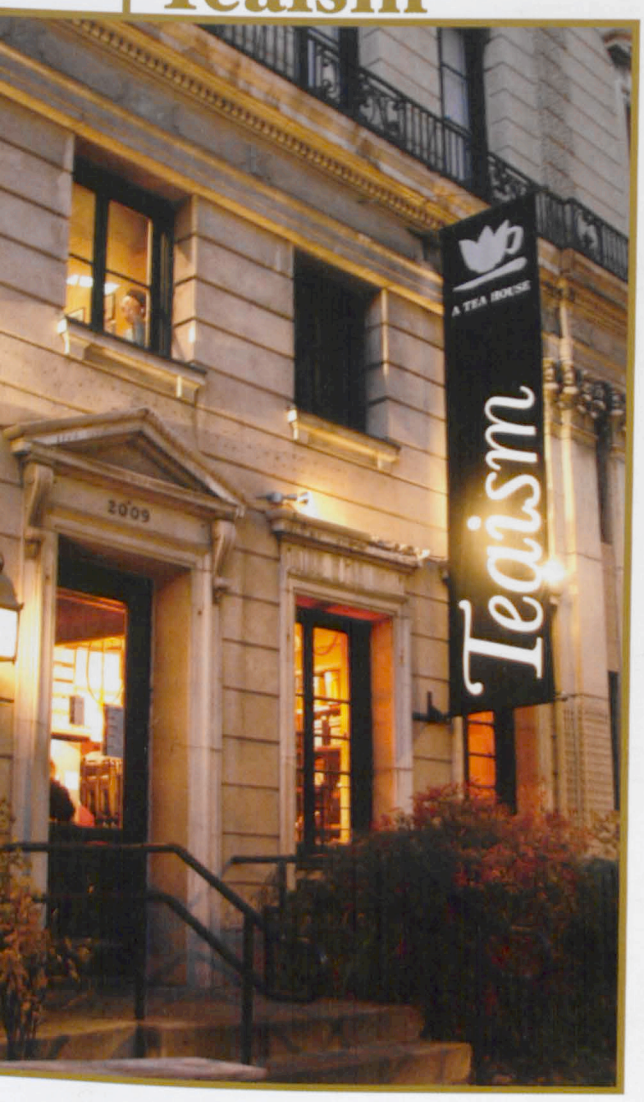


El Centro



Because of its location in the heart of the U Street Corridor, El Centro was the perfect restaurant to go to for dinner before a night out. Taco Thursdays were the perfect way to kick-start your weekend and if you didn't feel like moving after filling up on tacos, the venue itself serves as an excellent night spot. Set up on three levels, customers could be seen earlier in the evening mingling at the restaurant's rooftop bar before moving to the locale's "tequileria" on the basement level later in the night where the crowd danced to Spanish beats until the early hours of the morning.

Teaism



Located in the maze of alleys and tree-lined blocks below M Street in Georgetown, Ristorante Piccolo was the perfect place for a quiet dinner. Meaning "small restaurant" in Italian, Ristorante Piccolo featured reasonably priced and authentic food served on two cozy levels. During the warmer months, you could request seating on the balcony for you and a friend or a date. The small balcony fit about three two-person tables and was the perfect spot to spend a relaxing evening while enjoying the scene below. In the winter months, you could also get the table by the fireplace upstairs.



Ristorante Piccolo

Sequoia





Elevated above the Georgetown promenade, the restaurant's floor to ceiling windows offered unparalleled and unobstructed views of the Kennedy Center, the Potomac River and the Watergate complex. Though undeniably offering patrons a unique dining experience at any time, Sequoia's main draw was brunch. With a multi-level outdoor terrace landscaped with dozens of impressive trees, brunch at Sequoia was unbeatable when the weather got warmer. With undoubtedly one of the most extensive buffets in D.C. featuring ceviche, a raw bar and made-to-order omelettes, brunch was on the expensive side. But skip brunch for two weekends, or maybe three if you were planning on buying bottomless mimosas, and you would spare yourself the excess cost. Though for many GW students a weekend without brunch may have been unheard of, the wait was well worth it.

Give Us a Break

Many students enjoyed spring break on the beaches of Florida or Mexico while others opted for European cities. But some students just couldn't take a week off from service.

When the frigid winter and hectic midterms finally came to an end, GW students deserved a break. Many decided to escape the Washington chill and headed to Mexico where the resort cities of Puerto Vallarta and Cabo San Lucas were especially popular. North of Mexico in Austin, Texas, students immersed themselves in the arts at the increasingly popular South by Southwest music and film festival. A couple thousand miles to the east in Miami, GW students could be found at Ultra Music Festival, a favorite annual spring break destination. Even further east, many students opted for a leisurely week of sightseeing and wandering the streets of Europe's capitals. Though the popularity of GW's service opportunities, including perhaps its most recognized, the Freshman Day of Service, was undeniable, many students went above and beyond and chose to put off relaxation until the summer to instead participate in GW's Alternative Breaks program. Roughly 200 students travelled throughout the country to build and repair homes and participate in various forms of environmental service in areas hard hit by the economy or natural disasters. As the service culture has visibly grown at GW over the years, so too has the Alternative Breaks program. Students had an impressive number of service locations to choose from including Alabama, Appalachia, Joplin, Missouri, and New Orleans among others. Regardless of where they chose to serve, these students promised to continue to uphold the lifetime commitment to service that they made back on GW's campus.













Setting: Alternative Break Desinations

Winter Destinations:

- Guatemala
- Los Angeles
- New Orleans
- Nicaragua
- Puerto Rico

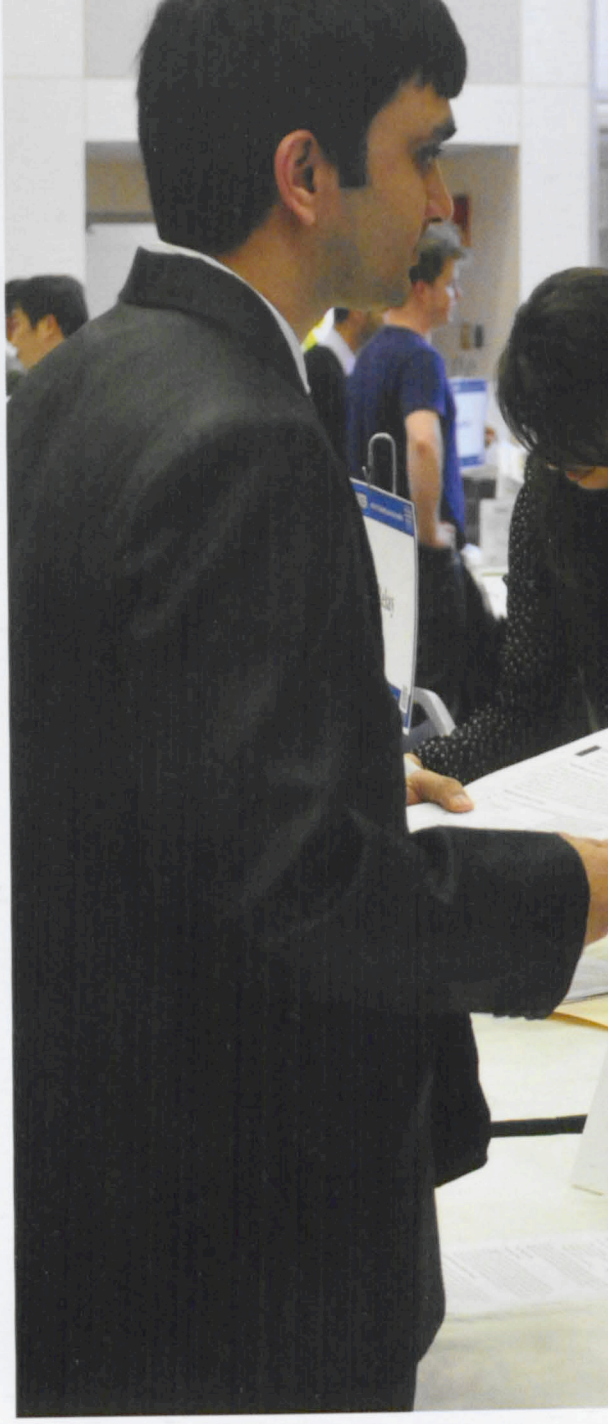
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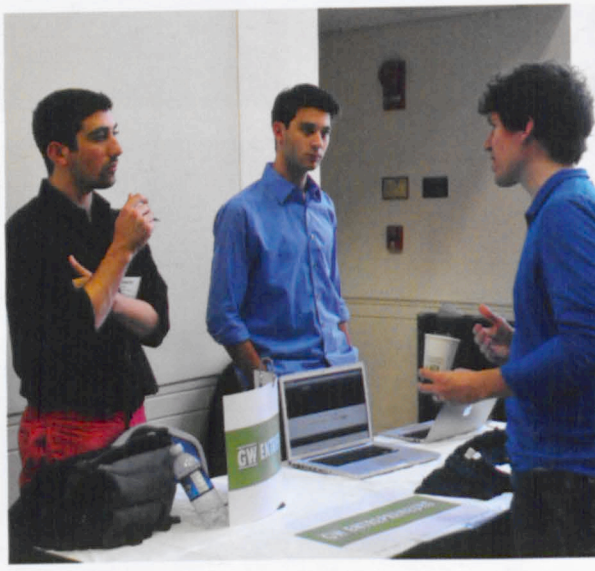
- Alabama
- Appalachia
- Cherokee Nation
- Gullah Nation
- Immokalee
- Joplin
- New Orleans
- New York

Students were Ambitious

With graduation looming for GW seniors, students took advantage of all the career resources the university offered.

Graduation approached surprisingly quickly for over 2,000 GW students who faced the reality of finding a job following their time at GW. Though available for any help year round, the GW Career Center, perhaps unsurprisingly, saw an increase in students seeking out their help as the spring semester came to an end. The career center was unquestionably present in most students' lives throughout their careers at GW and helped build a comprehensive four-year plan for students who had been preparing for graduation since their first day at GW. Among the many other resources that the career center provided for the less well-prepared were the particularly popular interview, resumé and cover letter workshops. Students who couldn't find the time to walk from their dorm rooms or apartments to Old Main could send their resumés and cover letters in to the career center for review and have it returned to them with feedback in 48 hours or less. The service was particularly popular with students who were subjected to the pressure of a persistent time crunch. For the past four years, seniors have relied on GWork in order to find the perfect jobs and internships year round and many continued to rely on it to find their first job out of college. Students who preferred to locate their first job offline took advantage of the multiple career fairs held throughout the school year. Overall, it was no secret that GW students were especially concerned with their careers compared to their peers at other universities. But graduating seniors especially understood that they would have been less prepared to embark on their career paths without the support of the career center.











Setting: Job Fairs

Many companies particpated in job fairs on campus including:

- AT&T
- Barclays Capital
- BB&T
- Bloomberg
- Capital One
- Citi
- Deloitte Consulting LLP
- Deloitte LLP
- Ernst & Young LLP
- Fannie Mae
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- IBM
- KPMG LLP
- M&T Bank
- Marriott International
- Ogilvy & Mather
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Raffa and Associates
- Raytheon Company
- Standard and Poors / Capital IQ
- TASC Inc.
- TD Securities
- U.S. GAO
- U.S. GSA
- Accenture
- BB&T
- Booz Allen Hamilton
- Cambridge Associates
- Citigroup
- Deloitte Consulting LLP
- McKinsey & Co.
- Morgan Stanley Smith Barney
- OPOWER
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Raytheon Company
- TD Securities
- The World Bank
- Freddie Mac
- Goldman Sachs
- IBM
- Johnson & Johnson
- KPMG LLP

Lunch Break

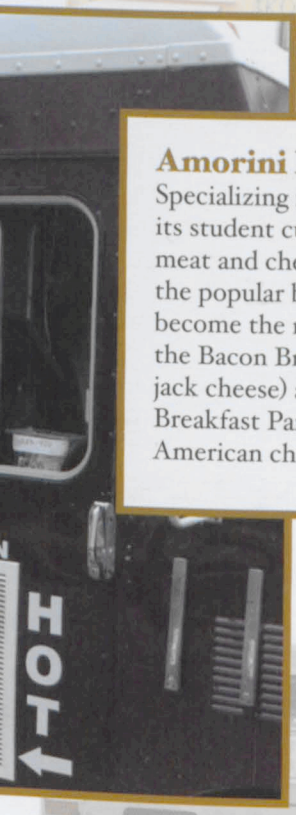
The popularity of food trucks among GW students showed no signs of letting up as an increasingly unique selection of food offerings arrived on campus this year.





The Big Cheese

Everything about the Big Cheese celebrated cheese, from the white and yellow color of its truck to the vast range of menu items all prominently featuring cheeses from all over the world. But these are not the Grilled Cheeses of your childhood, rather the truck offered a series of Grilled Cheeses that elevate the standards of the simple cheese and bread combination that remain a staple for many GW students today. The Midnight Moon was excellent with goat gouda and caramelized onions on multigrain bread. The truck also put a sin on the classic grilled cheese and tomato soup combination serving Gazpacho instead.



Amorini Panini

Specializing in paninis of all kinds, Amorini Panini made its student customers rethink the panini. The standard meat and cheese blends were taken to the next level with the popular breakfast panini selection that may have become the new bacon, egg and cheese. These included the Bacon Breakfast Panini (egg, bacon and pepper jack cheese) and the heartier Honey Turkey with Bacon Breakfast Panini (egg, honey turkey, smoked bacon and American cheese).



Tasty Fried

Arguably one of the most popular food trucks in 2013, Tasty Fried's signature red, white and blue take-out containers were spotted all over campus from classrooms to Kogan. Brought to H Street by the founders of another popular food truck, Tasty Kabob, Tasty Fried served fried chicken and fish. There's nothing fancy about the food, but Tasty Fried nailed the feel-good classics like Chicken Tenders and Fish and Chips, making it the perfect truck to stop by at in between midterms and finals or just on a particularly stressful day.

Students Rallied For Change

GW students took their stance on marriage equality at the Equal Rights Rally.

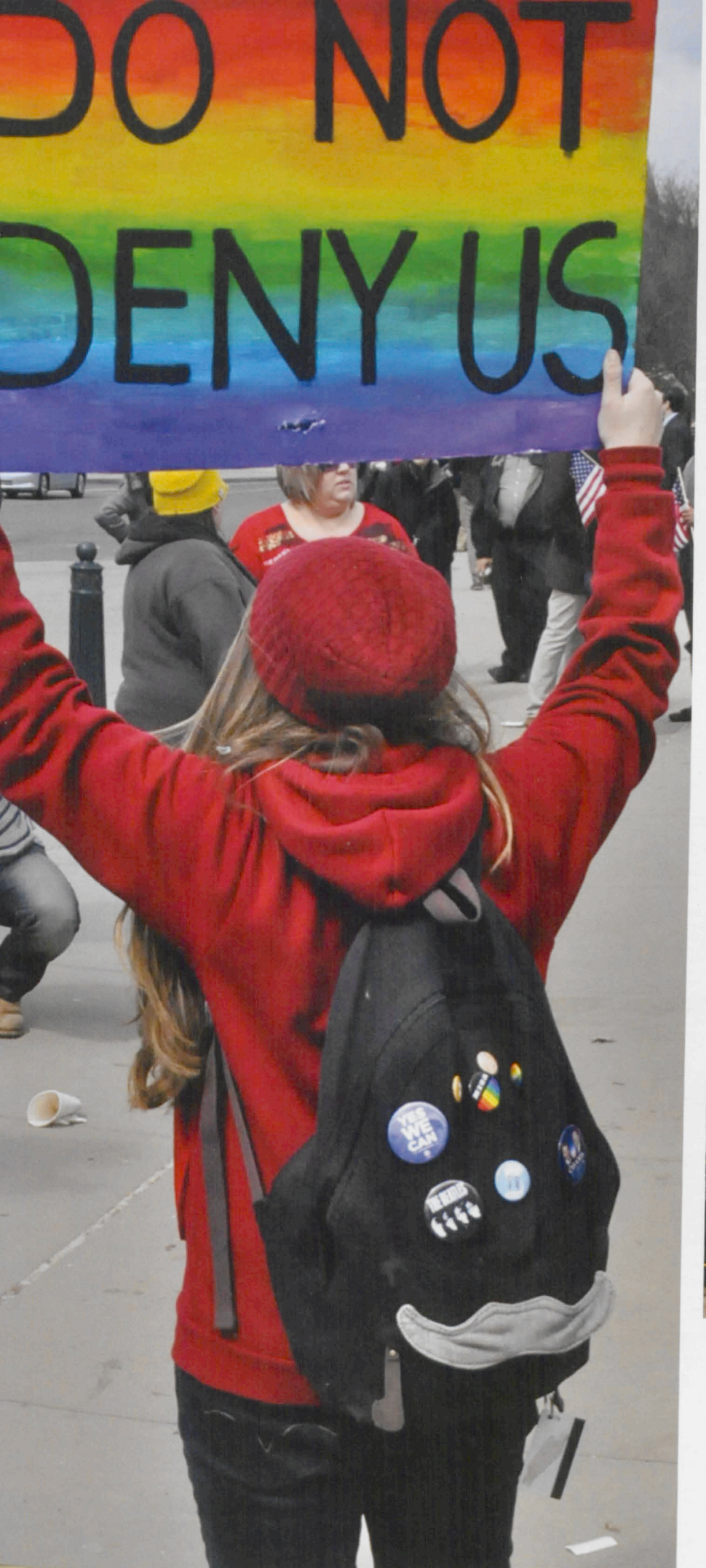
GW students always made it clear that their reputation for being politically active was well deserved and this year was no exception. This year's main event during which students could put their political activism into practice was during two major Supreme Court hearings involving the issue of gay marriage. The Supreme Court met in late March to determine whether or not both California's Proposition 8 and the Defense of Marriage Act were constitutional. During the Equal Rights Rally, students joined hundreds of protesters outside the U.S. Supreme Court in defense of gay marriage and equal rights. Rainbow flags flew beside American flags in addition to countless posters proclaiming support. Protesters were colorfully dressed and many wore elaborate outfits highlighted by wigs or tutus. Though the majority of GW students present at the Supreme Court were there in support of marriage equality, there was also an equally large group of protesters in support of "traditional" marriage. Though both sides of the gay marriage debate were represented in equal numbers, it was undeniable that the marriage equality supporters were the livelier of the two groups. Ultimately, despite the fact that they may have held differing opinions, the two groups of protesters highlighted D.C.'s enormous diversity in every sense of the word. After days of debate between the Supreme Court justices, students and their fellow protesters left the steps of the Supreme Court eager as always for another chance to express their political opinions.











Character Snapshot



"The rally was such an amazing experience, seeing all of these people come together to support gay rights. I'm from a really small town in Tennessee so having the chance to go to the rally was really cool. I love living in D.C. and having the opportunity to go to events like the DOMA rally and be a part of history."

—Michelle Lebkuecher



GW Celebrates the Inauguration

Inauguration Day was a particularly long day for many students who went from celebrating the Inauguration with President Obama on the National Mall to celebrating with each other at the GW Inaugural Ball.

Hours before students got dressed up and departed with their dates to attend the GW Inaugural Ball, they proved their commitment to politics, the president and Beyoncé when they joined thousands of others on the National Mall to celebrate the Presidential Inauguration. The event got underway around noon on January 21, but many students chose to camp out in the early hours of the morning in order to secure the best spots. Those GW students who chose not to brave the cold winter weather, however, were undoubtedly at home watching the inauguration on their televisions or reading about it on their computers. As soon as most people shuffled their way as close to the Capitol as possible and settled on viewing spots, they eagerly awaited the president's arrival on stage. When Obama finally did take the stage, an increasingly loud uproar traveled through the crowd from the foot of the Capitol's steps all the way down to the Washington Monument. The audience's enthusiasm continued throughout the president's speech and until well after he left the stage. Before disappearing from sight, however, President Obama stopped to look back at the crowd behind him. "I want to take a look one more time," he said. "I'm not going to see this again." The audience was not through with their excitement, however. Shortly after the president concluded his speech, Kelly Clarkson sang an impressive rendition of "My Country, 'tis of Thee." But perhaps the most passionate reaction of the afternoon came when Beyoncé took the stage. Throughout the audience, groups of people (perhaps even strangers) were seen screaming and clutching each other as Beyoncé performed "The Star-Spangled Banner," pulling out her earpiece nearly halfway through the song. Much of the crowd dispersed after Beyoncé's performance and President Obama's exit but none were more eager to get back home than the GW students in attendance. Many students had a lot of preparations to take care of before the GW Inaugural Ball that evening. Students rushed home to get some work done before classes the next day while many immediately started getting dressed in gowns and tuxedos for the first time since their high school prom. At around 8 p.m. students began to arrive at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, located near the National Zoo. For the next four hours roughly 5,500 students, faculty, and staff celebrated President Obama's second term while dancing and socializing in the hotel's seven ball rooms, all reserved by GW for the event. Each of the rooms had a different theme including ones featuring salsa, top 40 songs, swing dancing and student group performances. With everyone wanting to sample what each of the rooms had to offer, the evening went by quickly. By 11 p.m. drinks were stopped serving and nearly all the food had been eaten shortly after. Slowly, everyone began the journey back to campus, exhausted from the nonstop celebration of the day behind them.





Character Snapshot:
The Spotlight was on Beyoncé

One of the defining moments of the president's inauguration was Beyoncé's performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner." The performance left many spectators clutching each other in amazement and nearly overshadowed the president's speech moments earlier. However, the performance led to some drama later on when it was rumored and then confirmed that Beyoncé had used a pre-recorded version of the National Anthem and was in fact lip-synching. Despite this, the overall impression among GW students was that her performance was amazing, live or not, and that those moments of ignorance during her performance were nothing to be angry about.

Students Worked

Students found time not only to work on Capitol Hill or at the State Department but also for their university.

Whether they worked at Lerner Health and Wellness or at one of the university's many libraries and numerous other places, chances were that every GW student knew a fellow student who had an on-campus job. Reflecting the diversity of the student body, on-campus jobs were abundant and equally as varying. In opposition to popular perception, on-campus jobs were not solely held by those students who participated in the work-study program. Many students chose to pick up a job with the university in addition to their studies and extracurricular activities, while others saw an on-campus job as an excellent supplement for their summer internships. Some of the first GW students that incoming freshman met were their group leaders at Colonial Inauguration. Given this, it was understandable why being a member of the Colonial Cabinet was one of the most prestigious on-campus positions a GW student could hold. Another position that was vital to the running of the university and that was among one of the most prominent on campus was that of the Colonial Callers who work year-round at Colonial Connection. Those GW students who were locked out of their dorms on a Friday night could thank their fellow students working at the Key Depot for getting them back into their dorms so that they could change clothes and go out before the bars and clubs closed. Many of your fellow students or friends may have even graded some of your quizzes or proctored your exams working as teacher's assistants or research assistants for your favorite professors. Ultimately, whether or not you knew someone personally who worked for the university, it was clear that student workers played a vital role in the GW experience.



Character Snapshot



"Working in the admissions office has been a lot more fun than I had expected. With an office that employs more than 60 students, the sense of community and lively atmosphere make work fun! My favorite time of year are when we got to tell our new class of incoming freshmen that they were accepted."

—Lana Schrommer





Setting: Campus Employers

- Admissions Office
- Campus Security
- Housing Office
- Lerner Health and Wellness Center
- Law Library
- GW Bookstore
- Colonial Central
- Gelman Library
- Eckles Library
- Academic Departments
- Auntie Anne's
- Key Depot
- STS Tech Support
- Colonial Crossroads
- Career Center
- Registrar Office
- Writing Center










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Character Snapshot



"The bonfire did more than fill us with warmth, it helped sponsor a sense of community. Looking around at all the gooey faces laughing despite the chill reconfirmed that I had made that right choice to call GW my home for my college experience."

—Morgan Taylor



Happy Birthday George

Both GW students and alumni participated in this year's celebration of George Washington's birthday

Students at GW were proud of their University's namesake and so they displayed their pride throughout the week marking the first president's birthday by attending a series of celebrations. The festivities kicked off with the annual George Washington's Birthday Bonfire at 4 p.m. on February 22 in University Yard. The foggy weather and possibility of rain threatened the celebration but plenty of students, faculty, and staff surrounded the bonfire while enjoying s'mores and hot cider despite this. George Washington's Birthday was further celebrated that weekend when the GW Colonials played St. Bonaventure in the Smith Center with a special exclusive party held during half time in the Colonials Club. The women's team ultimately won, defeating St. Bonaventure 57-52 and securing a spot in the Atlantic 10 championship, adding to the celebratory atmosphere within the Smith Center and throughout campus. For those students who didn't know much about George Washington except for the fact that he was America's first president and that they attended a school named after him, the university hosted a lecture on February 25 that explored his life and achievements. Pulitzer Prize-winning early American history scholar, Dr. Gordon S. Wood from Brown University, guided the audience through the life of George Washington and the impact he had in the founding of the United States. Students undoubtedly left Dr. Wood's lecture even more excited to study at a university named after perhaps the most influential founding father of the United States. But the celebrations were not limited to GW's campus in D.C. or even in cities across America. George Washington Birthday celebrations were held in cities across the world where alumni have settled in the years following their graduations including London, Sydney, Hong Kong and Buenos Aires. Even after 281 year's since his birth, GW students, faculty, staff and alumni showed that George Washington was still one of the most remembered and celebrated historical figures in their lives.

GW Students Studied Abroad

GW was well known for its study abroad programs and GW students were well-known for taking advantage of them. This year was no exception.



Dan Rosenberg: China



Moira Dhaliwal: India

How would you compare your campus abroad to GW's campus?

My campus abroad was a rural, more "traditional" college campus, while GW's campus was inserted into the urban landscape of D.C. I chose this program so that I would have the opportunity to have a more traditional campus during my undergraduate experience. I really enjoyed the opportunity of having a small town feel. I went to Manipal University in Manipal, India. The town existed there because of the University. It was very small and insular, and it was also exciting because that encouraged me to travel outside of my boundaries and make trips to destinations around southern India. The program pushed me to become the best person that I could be. It was truly one of the best decisions that I made as an undergraduate student, and I would make it again in a heartbeat.

Did you experience culture shock at all?

Yes. However, I expected the Indian culture to be entirely different than my own. One of the simplest differences, that directly impacted my daily routine, was the traffic pattern on the road. There are a variety of vehicles, from bikes, to motorbikes/scooters and cars all zooming around, unorganized and without stoplights on the streets. It was an adventure to cross the street to get to class everyday. When we were getting a tour of the town, the students giving it cautioned us to look both ways before crossing the street because they didn't have those "zebra stripes" on the ground.

Also, though, what really surprised me was how similar the students are around the world. When I asked the Indian students about the games that they used to play as children, they were the same as the games that I played when I was a child.

Jeremy Illoulian: Cape Town

How would you compare Cape Town to DC?
Cape Town was very beautiful, similar to San Francisco with the mountains to the East and the ocean to the West. People were much more relaxed than in Washington.
Did you experience culture shock at all?
Yes, and the culture shock came as a surprise. I thought I could avoid it, but when we worked in the townships (the slums) we learned how people really lived and how amazing they still are. Even in the face of total poverty people still lived such happy lives.



Josh Brickman: Australia

How would you compare Melbourne to Washington?
I would say it was impossible to compare Melbourne to Washington. Melbourne was Australia's cultural capital while Washington was the political capital of the U.S. Melbourne was a much more relaxing and friendly city. It was easy to get around and there was always something to do no matter what day or night of the week it was.
How would you compare your campus abroad to GW's?
The University of Melbourne has the best of both worlds. It has a beautiful campus that is only a ten-minute walk from downtown. It was far away enough to have a sense of community and geographic loyalty but close enough to take a stroll through the CBD (Central Business District) without having to worry about time or transport.

Izack Nacheman: Greece

How did you feel about the food abroad?
Though I have traveled and stayed in numerous countries, my fall study abroad in Athens was one of my favorite life experiences. Above all, the food alone was worth the transatlantic trip. National meals such as gyros, souvlaki, spanakopita, moussaka with eggplant, calamari and baklava were just a few of the incredible dishes found on nearly every corner of the city, as well as throughout the Argolid and Peloponnese in which I extensively traveled. When nostalgia kicks in, American-style food was available, but rarely sought after when such amazing national cuisines were so easily accessible.
What was the most difficult adjustment you had to make?
Though it was easy to adjust to the food, it did take some time to adjust to the general culture. The people of Greece, like many countries, cannot be defined with a common attribute; however their customs were fairly unique. Suppressing the urge to smile or wave to strangers was among the few culture shocks I experienced, as these are considered rude gestures to unfamiliar people. Further, as in many areas of Europe, the fast pace of small cars and overcrowded populations led to an adaption of ones definition of 'personal space', even for a native New Yorker. You never truly become acclimated to a new country, but once you learn the ropes, study abroad can be a phenomenal experience.







The City Blossomed

D.C. witnessed a touch of pink this spring following the blooming of the city's cherry trees and the arrival of the Cherry Blossom Festival.

The annual Cherry Blossom Festival was just as popular among GW students as always despite being postponed due to the city's unseasonably cold weather. D.C. residents and GW students have been infatuated with the Tidal Basin's cherry blossoms since they were given as a gift to the District from Tokyo mayor Yukio Ozaki in 1912. Throughout the four-week festival, the National Mall and its monuments were packed with impressed tourists and D.C. residents alike celebrating the famed cherry blossom's 101-year anniversary as a D.C. fixture. The view of the Washington Monument was enhanced by hundreds of kites being flown in the shadows of some of the world's most recognized landmarks. It was nearly impossible to make the journey around the entirety of the Tidal Basin due to the tight crowd of observers but many were just as happy with their spots in the grass under the cherry trees. The warmer weather and scenic atmosphere provided the perfect opportunity for students to leave Gelman and bring their books to the Mall. Unfortunately, along with the bloom of D.C.'s cherry blossoms came the start of allergy season in D.C. In the weeks during and following the Cherry Blossom Festival, students were seen throughout campus with red eyes and tissues on hand. But despite the pollen that the blooming cherry blossoms bring with them, even allergy sufferers could have agreed that D.C. and GW would not be the same without them.

Holi Moli

Students ignored the pressure of looming final papers and exams to take part in the year's liveliest, and certainly most colorful, event.

Unsurprisingly, many students were surprised to see some of their fellow students walking around campus covered in colorful fluorescent powders. They returned to their dorms caked in the aftermath of the annual GW Holi celebration on University Yard. The much anticipated yearly event, sponsored by GW Satyam, mimicked the traditional Hindu religious festival of the same name. In celebration of the impending spring season, hundreds of students of all kinds gathered in University Yard, where they proceeded to throw colored powder at each other until there was no more powder left to throw. The event also combined fun with community service. Students were requested to bring an old t-shirt with them in order to get a free Holi t-shirt in return, which came in handy after the event was over and all the powder was thrown. In addition to the powder, GW Satyam steered away from tradition a bit and also provided kiddie pools and water guns for the day of fun. The items provided students with the ability to wash some of the powder off while still continuing to have as much fun as possible. By the end of the event, University Yard was covered in a layer of colored dust and resembled a large art installation. Students were not too shy to leave when the toy water gun and kiddie pools proved unable to fully wash the powder out of their hair and clothing, displaying their temporary colors proudly as they headed home to shower and continue their weekend of hard work.















Character Snapshot



"Holi is the Hindu festival of colors. It is a celebration of the victory of good over evil. It is also an occasion to herald the beginning of summer. As they say in India, 'Don't feel bad, don't apologize, it's Holi!' Anything goes and everyone is welcome to have a little fun, prank a friend and get colored in the most vibrant and glorious hues!"

—Arjun Awasthi

#Trending

GW students were known for keeping up with the latest trends, but this year's stand-out trend was a little different.

The year's most prominent trend was not an article of clothing or the latest electronic gadget; rather, it was a dance routine known as the Harlem Shake. Based on the song of the same name by Baauer, the Harlem Shake trend began as an internet meme that went viral on YouTube. This meme began to be replicated internationally until, not to be outdone by anyone for too long, GW students caught on. Lasting for about 30 seconds, the videos began with a masked person dancing to Baauer's "Harlem Shake" alone while surrounded by people who aren't paying any attention. When the song's bass dropped, the video cut to show the entire crowd of people dancing wildly for the remainder of the video. Shortly after the Harlem Shake trend went viral, GW students began creating their own Harlem Shake videos. One such video that was posted on YouTube featured the GW swim team underwater flailing wildly as fellow team members could be seen doing laps above as if nothing was going on under the surface. The GW men's basketball team also followed suit with their own version, but it was a Harlem Shake on a much grander scale that ultimately captured the most attention. Students of all ages and all class years were invited to the steps of the Lincoln Memorial where tourists and other onlookers witnessed a man wearing an American Flag tank top and a box with the face of George Washington covering his head rhythmically dancing by himself. Moments later he was joined by dozens of GW students, some in costumes of their own, dancing uncontrollably. Ultimately, though the Harlem Shake may have been one of the stranger trends in recent history, it proved that GW students were eager to adopt the latest trends.






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Spring Fling

Macklemore & Ryan Lewis brought the spring weather with them for their Spring Fling performance.

Though it seemed like just yesterday when Diplo came to GW to perform for Fall Fest at the start of the year, students once again crowded into University Yard to celebrate Spring Fling as the school year came to a close. The annual Program Board-sponsored event featured Macklemore & Ryan Lewis as the headliner and brought in perhaps the largest crowd in recent Spring Fling history. Thousands of students packed the space from the stage back to the School of Media and Public Affairs building as indie rock group Walk the Moon opened the event for the excited crowd.

As Macklemore took the stage with his music already blasting, a massive applause from the crowd could be heard throughout campus. "I figured I'd dress up as George Washington for you guys," he said introducing himself to his frenzied audience before launching into a performance of his biggest single "Thrift Shop." Following the recent Supreme Court hearings regarding the constitutionality of Proposition 8 and the Defense of Marriage Act, Macklemore's hit song "Same Love," which promotes marriage equality, took on even greater significance as it was performed to some of the country's most politically active students. Spring Fling landed on the first hot day of the season, which undoubtedly electrified the crowd even more as many students rushed the stage, refusing to be held back by the metal barriers distancing them from the popular performer. In addition to the typical neon attire that students were used to seeing at Spring Fling, the crowd was also peppered with many students wearing crowns provided by one of the event's sponsors, HBO. Following Macklemore's high-spirited performance, students reluctantly exited University Yard in anticipation of a full schedule of classes the next day.



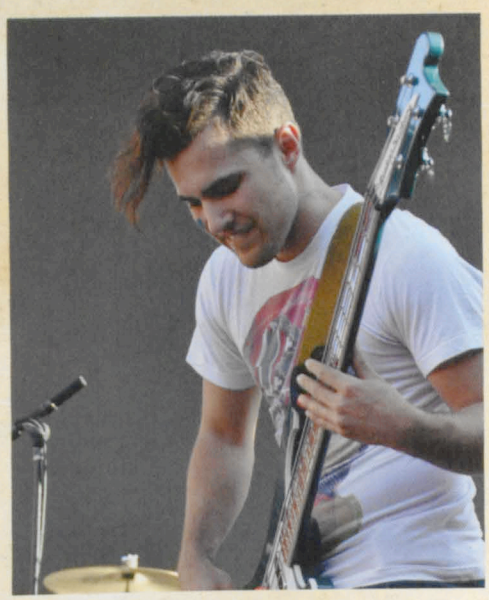






Character Snapshot: Walk the Moon











Faye Moscowitz

Professor of English

Storyteller Extraordinaire

Professor Faye Moskowitz had become increasingly well known in recent years throughout the English department and the entire university as a result of her hugely popular class, "Jewish Literature Live." The class was made possible by a generous donation from alumnus David Bruce Smith to the English department. Smith's grandfather was real estate developer and philanthropist Charles E. Smith, whom GW's athletic center was named after, and his father was Robert H. Smith, also a philanthropist and major GW benefactor, whom the Smith Hall of Art was named after. Having taught a similar class before coming to GW, Moskowitz decided to create the course in 2009 when the opportunity for a new Jewish literature course arose after Smith's donation. "If we're going to have a budget, why not think big?" she said.

Celebrating its fourth year, students in "Jewish Literature Live" read works by both prominent and emerging Jewish authors who then came to class where an open dialogue was established with students. Moskowitz recalled anxieties about the class when Erica Jong came to class after students had read her controversial novel *Fear of Flying*. "I seriously wondered if this book could say anything to a group of students in 2012 having been published in 1973. Back then we had movies and radio and that was it," she said. "But they were just crazy about her and about the book."

Moskowitz expressed similar concerns when Bel Kaufman came to GW to discuss her novel *Up the Down Staircase* about an idealistic inner city high school English teacher. "I thought, how are [my students] going to relate to this 100-year-old woman," she said. "But she just blew everybody away."

Growing up in a largely Jewish community in Detroit, Moskowitz eventually moved to Jackson, Michigan, where Jewish families were few and far between. "Suddenly I knew who I was," she said. This connection to her own Jewish identity and to her childhood community in Detroit is what served as inspiration for a successful career writing a series of memoirs including And the Bridge is Love, which was reprinted in 2011 by The Feminist Press. A graduate of GW herself at the age of 40, Professor Moskowitz, lovingly known as Faye by her students, reflected on her career as a professor here. "Sappy or soppy or sentimental, call it what you want, I wake up and I love what I do," she said. Judging by the popularity of her class, the feeling is undoubtedly mutual amongst her students.

Ben Klein

Active on Campus

There were a few events that Benjamin Klein considered defining moments in his time at the George Washington University. "If it were not for my involvement in my fraternity, or my time with Program Board, I believe I would have had a very different college experience," he stated. As a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, Klein quickly sought leadership positions while pledging and continued as a brother through his senior year. His roles varied from Pledge Class Treasurer to Social Chair, filling intermediate semesters as rush committee member, assistant chapter treasurer, among other positions. "Working within the fraternity offered me the opportunity to learn about my own strengths and weaknesses, as well as hold positions in which I was responsible for myself and the well being of my brothers," Klein said. The skills gained in these positions, he explained, afforded him the confidence to seek leadership roles at a university level.

Klein joined Program Board his junior year, after spending time on the Concerts Committee the year prior. His two years as Concerts Committee Chairman allowed him to learn more about his passion for music and event planning, while providing the GW community with free concerts. "I always dreamt of holding such a position when I got to college," Ben stated. "I love organizing events for the GW community, and seeing the culmination of my work come together in front of my peers." While he could not pick a favorite out of the concerts during his time, he believed Spring Fling 2013 with Walk The Moon and Macklemore & Ryan Lewis will impart the most lasting memories. University Yard was deemed at capacity, while students continued to line the streets. "I never thought we would have such a high turnout, and I was astonished that we filled the yard," he said.

While devoting time to his Pi Kappa Alpha and Program Board, Klein found more ways in which to get involved. "My involvement in Program Board opened many doors for me," he said. Klein was on the Entertainment Committee for the GW Inaugural Ball, during which he helped choose musical acts for the various ballrooms, as well as assist in leading one of the ballrooms during the event. As one of the most unique events to GW, Klein was honored to be a part of the planning committee. He continued to give as an avid member of the Senior Class Gift Committee, ensuring that students gave back to the organizations that helped them grow as students.

The greatest value Klein learned as a GW student was that a solid support system was imperative in growing and maturing. "I not only learned by doing, but also by working with others and learning from them. Learning about working with others, but also learning about myself," he said. Klein felt grateful to have made friends in each activity he involved himself in, whether Pi Kappa Alpha, Program Board or the various committees that he worked with. "I would never forget how well we worked as an entire team for Spring Fling 2013," Klein said. He believed he would not have been able to accomplish so much in his time at GW had it not been for the support of others, primarily Program Board, and his fraternity. Ben was incredibly grateful for everything that his brothers taught him and the opportunities that arose throughout his time as a GW student.



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A Moving Experience

Students moved into their new homes

On August 25th, families awoke bright and early to load up their cars, grab a quick cup of coffee and make their way to the GW campus, excited, eager and nervous about their first college experience.

Move-In Day 2012 marked the start of the new academic year as thousands of students descended upon the University's Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campuses armed and ready with dorm supplies and blue moving carts.

Clasping a GW map in one hand and their new dorm key in the other, freshmen ran between Phillip Amsterdam Hall and the Marvin Center as they picked up their room keys from the Key Depot and checked out Resnet systems from the Connection Fair held by the Student Technology Services.

Between battling for parking spaces and sparking up conversations while waiting for the next elevator to arrive, GW parents helped carry boxes, duvets and storage bins up flights of stairs to the rooms their kids would live in for the next year.

Upperclassmen sifted through the familiar campus carrying their own large boxes and waited for more in line at GW Package Services for their shipments to arrive.

Juniors and seniors who moved off campus spent the day signing their first lease, moving in new furniture, and finding people who had cars to drive them to Target and Costco.

Eventually GW parents kissed their children goodbye while students reunited with old friends to make dinner plans around the area and met their new neighbors. By the end of Move-in Day, students were settled in, relaxed, ready and nervous as they looked forward to the new school year.

Despite the long, grueling stress of Move-In Day, many students had already fallen in love with their new home away from home.

"I couldn't believe that this was the place where I would live for a whole year. I was extremely happy and nervous at the same time," freshman Miguel Tavera said. "It was an awesome experience and it's something that I will definitely remember for the rest of my life."





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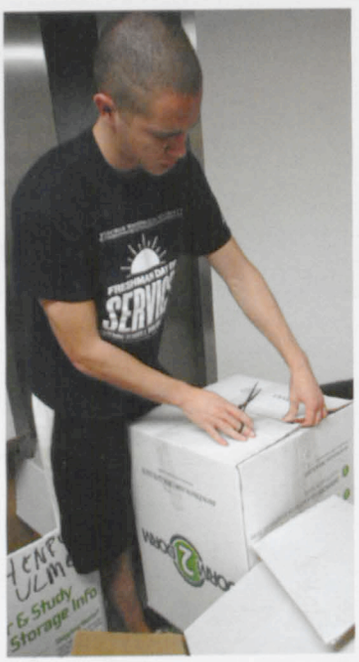
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Character Snapshot



"The day I moved into Potomac Hall, I was listening to Chilean music from home and I accidentally left the door open. While I was dancing, someone from my floor walked in and I was extremely embarrassed. Now he is one of my closest friends at GW."

—Miguel Tavera





Setting: Transfer Students Move to Lafayette



Transfer students finally had the opportunity to call Foggy Bottom home as the majority of them were assigned to Lafayette Hall this year. Previously placed on the Mount Vernon Campus, many transfer students felt disconnected from the university's urban campus and social scene.

While the majority of the 250 transfer students were assigned to Lafayette, others were placed in various other residence halls on Foggy Bottom. Lafayette, which reopened in 2011 after a year of renovations, also housed about 130 freshmen this year. Located in the heart of campus, transfer students had a brilliant location in Lafayette and an amazing opportunity to experience GW student life at its best.

A Home Away from Home

The most popular residence halls

West Hall

For students aching to get away from the hustle and bustle of the Foggy Bottom campus, this building on GW's Mount Vernon campus is the perfect answer. As GW's only residence hall offering apartment-style living for freshmen, this building featured a variety of amenities including an in-house black-box theater, art studio, recording studios, full fitness center and a dining hall, Pelham Commons. Overlooking the beautiful tennis courts and athletic fields, this building was a haven of comfort, convenience and solace.





Thurston Hall

As the largest freshman residence hall, Thurston Hall offered freshmen the quintessential college experience. With a maximum occupancy of 1,116 students, this building also offered a variety of amenities including television and piano lounges, academic study spaces and a fitness center and a lifetime of memories of "Thirty Thurston."





Potomac House

As the second-largest freshman dorm, this building featured modern, furnished double-suites and private bathrooms making it the prime pick for incoming freshmen, especially early decision students. Located right in the center of the F Street corridor, this building gave freshmen easy access to the Marvin Center and the Elliot School, not to mention killer quesadillas, fries and frozen yogurt at Carvings.





South Hall

Named for its location on the south side of campus, this spacious and modern residence hall was the perfect living experience for fourth-year students. With furnished single and double bedrooms in 4 and 5 person suites and an in-room washer and dryer, residents could find privacy, convenience and comfort during their last dorm experience. With a prime location, gorgeous views and FoBoGro at their fingertips, South Hall gave residents the perfect way to round out their experience at GW.

West End

Ranging from cozy singles to spacious quads with kitchens and full baths, this hidden gem was another top choice for sophomore housing. Located between campus and Pennsylvania Avenue, this beautiful apartment building provided the perfect balance of campus life and the busy business and government life of the District.





1957 E Street

Featuring a breathtaking view of the city's skyline and modern apartment-style living, this housing option was a no-brainer for many third and fourth-year students. Each apartment came with a fully-equipped kitchen, washer and dryer in the unit and large living areas. Nothing made living on campus better than friends and homemade cookies out on the rooftop terrace watching the hustle and bustle of life on a crisp evening.



Ivory Tower

Located at the heart of campus, these elegant apartments came with a spacious living room, fully-equipped kitchen and private bathrooms. Home to numerous dining options on its basement floor and a stone's throw away from the Health and Wellness Center, this building was the cream of the crop housing for many upperclassmen.

The Dakota

Boasting large luxury apartments in a modern, yet classic setting, it's no surprise that this building was one of the most sought-after dorms for sophomores. Furnished living rooms, private bathrooms and a fully equipped kitchen made this dorm the perfect spot to cook scrumptious meals with roommates and friends.

Dining in a GWorld

After the first leg of morning classes, students broke out from their classrooms towards their favorite or, more often than not, closest eateries to curb their lunch hour rumblings and cravings. GWorlds in hand, students on both the Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campuses swarmed in different directions and made their way to these new, popular eateries.

Metro Diner



Featuring all-day breakfast options, a made-to-order grill, and ready-to-go favorites ranging from egg platters and hot cereals to classic burgers and salads, The Metro Diner was an easy stop for students looking for a quick and delicious bite between classes.

Bonmi



Replacing the kosher deli in J Street, this Vietnamese-inspired eatery offered a variety of light, healthy and traditional bánh mì sandwiches, summer rolls, vibrant salads and all-natural health bars giving students another new option of dining in a GWorld.

BTS



BTS featured a wide variety of beef burgers, draft beer and specialty shakes that made it a popular spot for students to meet and hang out after a long, hard day of classes. Their mouth-watering ice-cream based frozen cocktails or 'shaketails' also made it the perfect place for a simple, inexpensive pick-me-up on Friday nights.

Zest Bistro



Affectionately known as ZeBi, this sustainable, eco-friendly venue in Ames Hall offered a variety of comfort food options including hot casserole entrees, delicious flatbread and deli sandwiches, and warming soups and salads – a perfect go-to venue for students taking classes or and/or living on the beautiful Mount Vernon campus.

Auntie Anne's



As J Street's newest venue, Auntie Anne's drew constant lines of students with their deliciously warm and buttery pretzels. With whiffs of classic baked goodness floating throughout J Street, students found it hard to say no to a pairing of a freshly baked pretzel and Auntie Anne's famous lemonade.

One year after Wendy's and Chick-fil-A were replaced, J Street reintroduced fast food with the popular chain restaurant, Auntie Anne's Pretzels. Replacing Freshens, which sold healthy smoothies and frozen yogurt, Auntie Anne's opened on September 28, 2012 to long lines of students awaiting free sample pretzels on opening day. Serving up its freshly baked line-up of classic, garlic, sour cream and onion, almond, whole wheat and cinnamon pretzels, this J Street venue was a popular stop for students on the go.

Roti



For students craving Mediterranean food or wanting to try something new, you couldn't go wrong with a visit to Roti. Offering several sandwich and platter style options, Roti was a deliciously filling lunch or dinner option.

Au Bon Pain



Au Bon Pain was the perfect place for any meal of the day. With a variety of bagel flavors on hand and hearty soups, salads and sandwiches, ABP certainly catered to every craving. A steaming hot cup of clam chowder on a chilly fall evening or an iced coffee on a vibrant spring morning more often than not spelled heaven for many GW regulars.

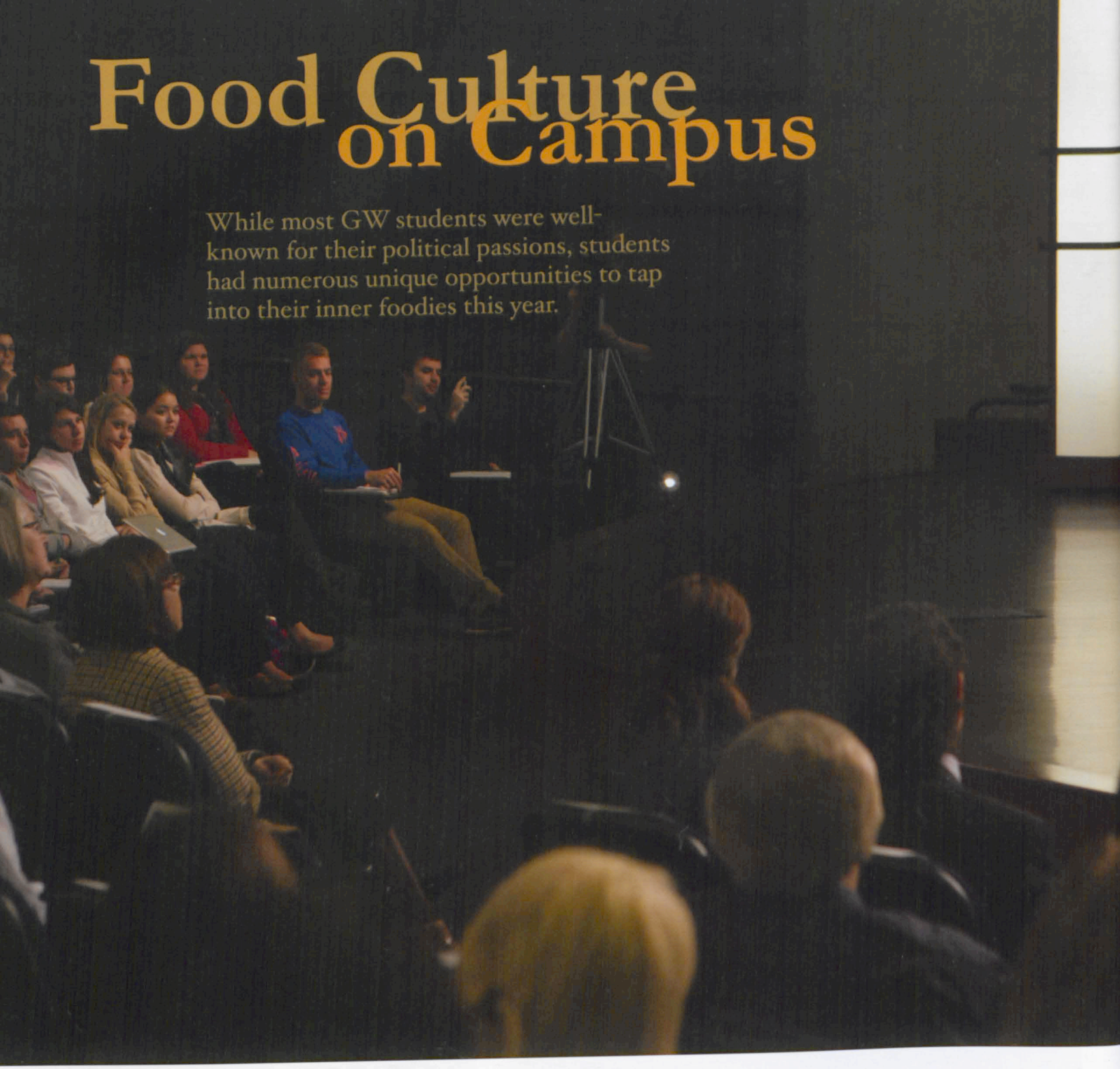
Sweetgreen



For days when it was all too tiring and nothing was going your way, you just needed a pick-me-up fro-yo from Sweetgreen. Moving from a food truck to a venue on campus, students got their healthy, delicious and fresh meals and desserts at Sweetgreen.

Food Culture on Campus

While most GW students were well-known for their political passions, students had numerous unique opportunities to tap into their inner foodies this year.



Students had the chance to enroll in the first-ever "World on a Plate: How food shapes civilization" class taught by world-renowned celebrity Chef José Andrés during the spring semester.

The course was held once a week with 230 spots available to GW undergraduate and graduate students, and addressed a wide variety of food issues from the obesity and food safety to food history and national security.

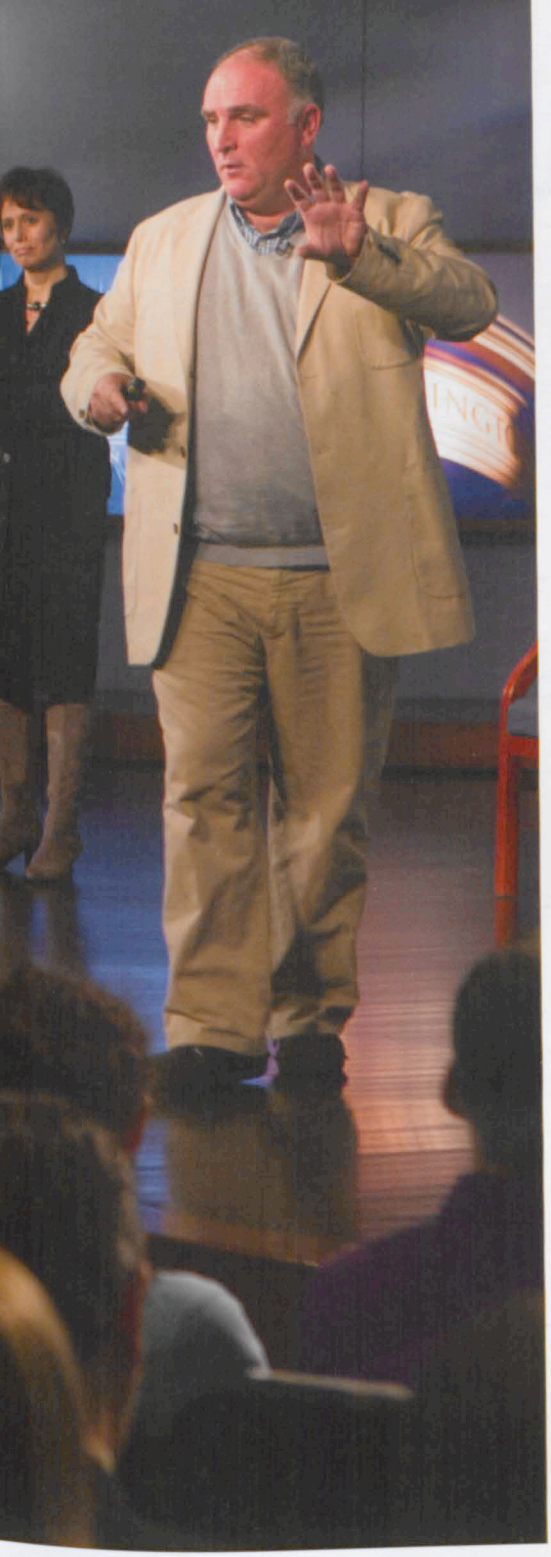
Challenging the students with assignments such as having and writing about a food experience in a new restaurant, shooting a video highlighting a cooking technique or exploring national food security issues, the 1.5 credit course allowed students to think differently about food and its role in society.

To the delight of many students, Chef Andres also showcased some of his own cooking techniques and experiments during lectures as well.

"I don't like to repeat dishes. Why? Because once I do it a few times I become good at doing it," said Andres during a class on the craft of cooking. "Repetition makes you very good but I like the challenge of failure, which, in cooking, is a fascinating thing."

The course also featured well-known guest lecturers including Andrew Zimmern of the Travel Channel series *Bizarre Foods*, Harold McGee, author of *On Food and Cooking*, Philip Derfler, the deputy administrator for the Food Safety and Inspection Service at the U.S. Department of Agriculture and a handful of GW faculty.

"We are in this world for a reason. We can be passive, observant, of what's happening. Or we can be people who decide to say, I have to be part of the solution, and I'm going to do something about it," Andres said at the end of his first lecture. "Food is an amazing mechanism to change society in ways we don't even know today."





Character Snapshot: Krisha Paz

Once the 12:30 p.m. classes rolled out, students rushed to the fleet of food trucks lining the H Street corridor outside the Gelman library. Tired of the same-old lunch spots around campus, GW students tried out a wide variety of food including lobster rolls, burritos and chickpeas.

As one of the District's most-popular food trucks, CapMac always had a loyal following on 'GWU Thursdays'. Junior Krisha Paz, however, did more than just order the 'Classic.'

The Marketing major scored a gig as the food truck's first ever social media intern.

Working outside the iconic bright orange macaroni-patterned truck, she took to Twitter, Facebook and Instagram to promote CapMac events and interact with customers and other food trucks. Some of her other responsibilities included taking included taking photographs at their events and consolidating all their articles and book features.



The internship was advertised to marketing students in the GW School of Business after business professor Mary Schoonmaker invited CapMac's founder and owner, Brian Arnoff, and director of operations and social media, Victoria Harris, as guest speakers on marketing and social media.

Paz said that even though the internship was not paid, "it paid in the form of delicious lunches, a spot on the Wall of Fame and priceless experiences."

"I started my internship with no food at all, but that has not stopped me from enjoying my internship," said Paz. "I learned a lot in terms of my own field in marketing and I learned a lot in terms of food in general."

CapMac was also the only food truck to offer internships through GW and offered students first-hand experience with the social media, finance and entrepreneurship.

Paz admitted that she considered herself a "beginner foodie with much more to learn."

"My favorite aspect of this job was working alongside the truck's owners, Victoria Harris and Brian Arnoff – they are two great people and great mentors," said the DC-native. "I have learned so much through working with them, from social media and how useful it can be for a business, especially a small business like CapMac to learning about food culture in my hometown. I also get to meet a lot of foodies and interact with some of my favorite restaurants in DC."

Student Association

By the students, for the students

As the primary advocacy and allocation organization for the student body at GW, the Student Association never hesitated to make its voice heard.

Representing both undergraduate and graduate students on campus, the Student Association worked to establish and maintain channels of communication between administrators and the student body in addition to allocating hundreds of thousands of dollars to student organizations.

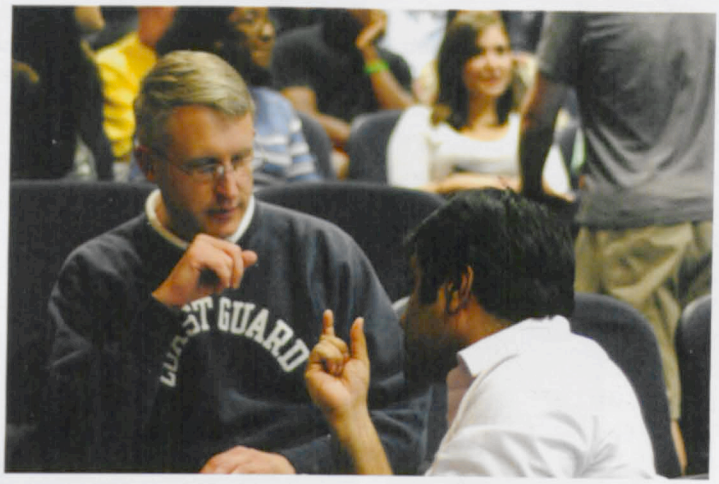
Modeled after the United States federal government, the SA consisted of three branches – executive, legislative and judicial. Under the leadership of SA President Ashwin Narla and Executive Vice President Abby Bergren, the SA aimed to improve student life on campus, provide student organizations with the necessary funding, support and resources, and help better the GW community.

This year, the SA tackled a variety of student initiatives and policies including cutting the room reservation and technology fee for student organizations, securing study rooms for students on the 5th floor of the Marvin Center, and keeping Funger and Duques Hall open longer during midterms and finals. Additionally they also worked to provide free weekly HIV testing at Student Health, passed the Student Association fee increase and made new furniture additions to the 1st floor of Funger Hall and J Street.

"The SA was often labeled as an overly political organization," said SA President Ashwin Narla. "While I will admit that it is political in nature, there were a lot of great people that were involved with the SA that were involved with many different organizations around campus. Their interest solely lied in trying to make a difference and getting more involved with GW."













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Class Council

As a 50-member student government organization, Class Council worked to make a difference through programming and advocacy to promote school spirit and class unity in the student body.

In the spring, students elected representatives and an executive board. Once elected, members worked to "provide leadership and guidance to members of each of the graduating classes in order to enrich the unique bond students of each graduating class will share during and after their tenure at The George Washington University."

This student organization hosted a variety of events throughout the year, including their signature competitions, Represent and Battle of the A Cappella groups.

Class Council President Sofia Caceres said one of her favorite memories was dancing Waka Waka by Shakira with all of the members on stage.

"It was the first time that Class Council members opened up a show that we put together and hosted," said Caceres. "We really were a family on and off CC meeting times."

The organization also created the international committee this year to represent and work for the international student body on campus. They also organized the first International Day at GW to celebrate culture and diversity through a series of events including an international market, international party and numerous performances.

"Last year when I was a member in Class Council I was the only international student that was part of this student government. Today we have members from all over the world - Japan, Spain, Colombia, El Salvador and India, to name a few - which I believe was very representative of the international student body we have at GW," said Caceres. "I was very proud of being from Paraguay and being able to give the opportunity to remarkable international student leaders and working with them was very rewarding."

The community service committee also launched the Smile Back campaign "devoted to celebrating life by spreading smiles and joy throughout campus while giving back to those who need it the most." The campaign featured Smile Back awareness day, a balloon release, a homelessness awareness panel and puppies in Square 80.

Class council also worked to provide networking opportunities for current students through their "How do I become A" events and the Dinners with Alumni program.











Character Snapshot



""We're all about making GW a better place, bonding the student body and celebrating school spirit. I can proudly say that we really are a family and this experience has been one of the best of my life."

—Sofia Caceres



Setting: Class Council Events







Residence Hall Association

As the second largest student organization on campus, the Residence Hall Association aimed to improve and support residence life at GW. Representing GW's 27 residence halls on both the Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campus, RHA also strived to build a sense of community within the residence halls and encourage academic success and student health and well-being.

"We're a school where a majority of the undergraduate population, as well as some graduate students, live on campus," RHA President Jacob Thayer said. "Our job is make life as pleasant for residents as possible."

Every residence hall on campus had an elected hall council composed of five members who advocated on behalf of their residents, planned and organized programming events, and relayed concerns and questions about the on-campus living experiences. They also initiated and participated in various service projects, promoted student health and wellness, and encouraged academic success in collaboration with house staff and faculty-in-residence to build a strong community among their peers.

RHA strived to make an impact and improve residential life for students by renovating Thurston Hall's basement, collaborating with GW Housing to make all processes as efficient as possible and working with GWPD to improve security and guest sign-ins within the residential halls.

"It was pretty cool to be elected President of such a prestigious organization, and knowing that students trust you with such an important position is quite humbling," Thayer said. "It's great getting to wake up every day knowing I get to help others here and now, not just in the future."

The RHA also sponsored residence hall programming in collaboration with the University and other student







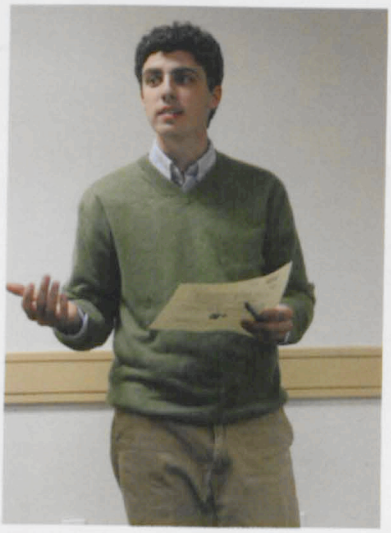
organizations in addition to various campus-wide events.

Their traditional event to kick off the fall semester, Target Takeover, was an exclusive after-hours shopping extravaganza for GW students to get their school supplies and free giveaways.

In October, RHA also hosted a "District of Decisions" event which focused on bringing in local candidates for office in an effort to better connect GW residents to D.C. government services.

Another popular event towards the end of the spring semester, Martha's Marathon, had students bidding on the best rooms on campus through a live auction that raised money for a student scholarship fund.

The RHA strived to provide GW students with the opportunity to make the most of their residential experiences and enjoy their own home away from home.









Colonial Cabinet

Welcoming the Class of 2016



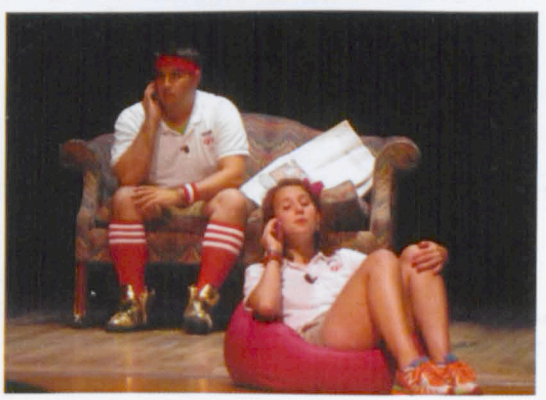


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—Christopher Payette



COLONIAL CABINET



Greeted by the dancing Colonial Cabinet singing the GW fight song loud and proud, Colonial Inauguration welcomed incoming students by giving them a glimpse of college life at GW.

Charged with guiding freshmen through their first GW college experience, Colonial Cabinet 2012 led them through three days of jam-packed activities, presentations, advising and traditions whilst sharing their own experiences and knowledge as seasoned Colonials.

Ever-recognizable in their white polos, khaki shorts and wacky sneakers, GW's orientation staff of 34 student leaders and scholars introduced the class of 2016 to the independence, fun and complexities that come with being a college student through traditional CI programs such as CI skits, small group discussions and presentations on student and academic life.

"There is definitely a reason that Cabinet is on the CSE's list of 101 things to do before graduation," said sophomore Christopher Payette, a member of the 2012 cabinet, said. "It is a life-changing and completely unique experience that everyone should go out for to show all the diversity our university has."

Students attended a variety of events and programs including Greek Life trivia night, a student performance showcase, a comedy show, and a late-night party catered with snacks from D.C. food trucks. Colonial Cabinet members took students to their favorite spots around the District where freshmen got to experience their first midnight run to the monuments.

Senior Taylour Rogers, a member of the 2012 cabinet, recalled taking her small group to the back of the Lincoln memorial and the Washington monument to bask in the District's jaw-dropping sunset.

"It's not just an orientation of GW, but of D.C. as well," said Rogers said. "They all loved it, and took pictures on Instagram tagging each other saying #OnlyatGW."

The Colonial Cabinet also served as mentors to more than 2,400 freshmen, transfer students and their families where students had the chance to tour their residence halls, check out interesting student organizations, and even practice registering for their fall classes.

Led by CIHQ Chris Kim and Lauren Cattano, CI also gave students the opportunity to meet with advisers and faculty to explore their individual schools, majors and learn more about various study abroad programs, and career and internship opportunities.

CI became the special first step for many incoming students to become a Colonial that introduced them to college life, smoothened the transition of leaving home and gave them a glimpse of what the four years of their lives could live up to be.

College Republicans

As one of the oldest and largest collegiate chapters in the nation, one would never know that GW College Republicans was a minority on the predominantly liberal campus.

Founded in 1908 to support presidential candidate Howard Taft, CR aimed to promote conservative values and ideals on GW's campus and provide a forum for the exchange of political dialogue and ideals on campus, particularly during the 2012 Presidential Election season.

During the election season, CR worked hard to campaign for Governor Romney's election to the White House through numerous phone banks, campaign trips around the nation and social activities leading the conservative movement on campus.

"Every meeting and event gave students an opportunity to express their conservative principles in a judgment free zone," said William Broman, treasurer of the GW College Republicans. "Our organization offered students an outlet to express their ideas."

CR also collaborated with the College Democrats and Program Board to get students excited and involved in the 2012 presidential elections through student debates and Presidential Debate watch parties.

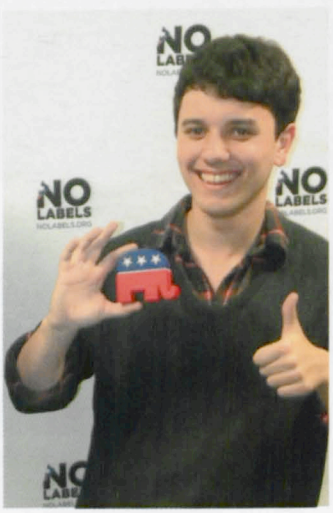
CR members also travelled to various campaign rallies across the Eastern corridor including Virginia, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Massachusetts to campaign for Mitt Romney, Linda McMahon, and Scott Brown.

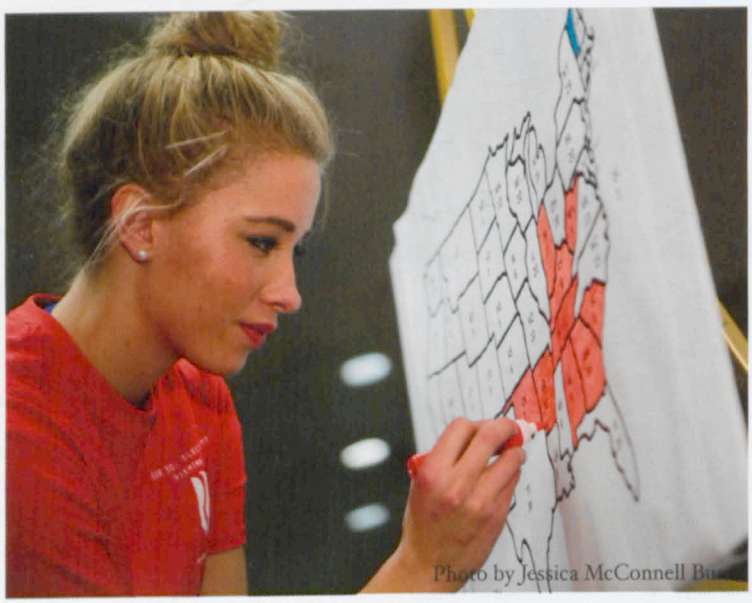
"Our organization has traveled with campaigns to help secure a Red November. The off-campus campaigning and weekend trips were exciting and an incredible learning experience," said Alexander Miller, vice-chairman of the GW College Republicans.

Named the best chapter in the nation by the College Republican National Committee in 2005, CR has maintained a vibrant, active membership through numerous social events including weekend campaign trips, gun range trips, Congressional dinners and golf trips.

CR also provided access and connections to politicians, internships, campaigns and other organization giving its members the opportunity to intern in Republican offices and serve as party activists.

"We as a club always faced the difficulty of being a political minority on campus, but numbers never detered us," said Miller said. "We may not have quantity, but our quality was unmatched."




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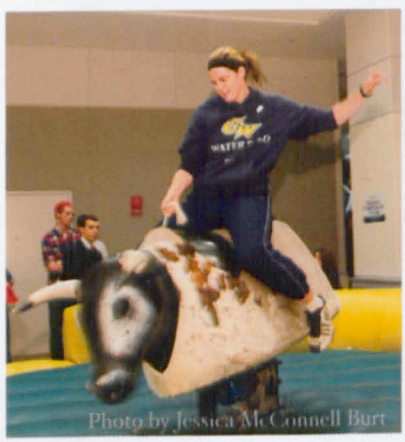


Character Snapshot



"I decided that I wanted to join the CRs during my first tour of GW. I saw the incredible opportunities that the organization has to offer and I wanted to be a big part of it."

—Alexander Miller


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College Democrats







Character Snapshot



"My #onlyatGW moment in this organization was probably the debate between Howard Dean and Newt Gingrich in my freshman year. The debate was a fun, riveting exchange between two political heavyweights that brought CDs and CRs together."
—Spencer Dixon



As the largest chapter of College Democrats in the country, GW College Democrats strived to stimulate college students' political thought, interest and involvement in governmental affairs especially during the 2012 presidential election season.

Working tirelessly to campaign for President Obama's reelection in the fall, CD offered GW students high profile speakers and a forum to discuss and advance the Democratic pParty's principles, ideals and agenda on and around campus.

CD also collaborated with the College Republicans to host debate series throughout the Presidential debates allowing students to advocate and defend key issues put forth by their respective Presidential candidates.

With a prime location in Washington, D.C., CD introduced plenty of opportunities for members and fellow college students to get involved in political dialogue and advocacy through debates, speakers and campaign trips leading up to the November elections.

CD members also attended various successful campaign rallies in Ohio, North Carolina and Northern Virginia where they had the opportunity to meet President Obama.

"The atmosphere was incredible and definitely got the organization 'fired up and ready to go' to volunteer for the President that day on our campaign trip to North Carolina," said Spencer Dixon, president of the GW College Democrats.

The organization also held various phone banks as part of their campaign outreach to support the incumbent presidential candidate.

In addition to collectively watching the Democratic National Convention and the presidential debates, the organization also hosted various social events including their traditional Welcome Week barbeque, a D.C. burger tour, and a midnight tour of the monuments and even watched episodes of the West Wing to help spread political awareness and engagement on campus.

Election events culminated with the presidential election night viewing party in the Marvin Center on November 6th, where the CDs celebrated Obama's re-election. "No matter your political preference, it was vitally important that everyone stay engaged because everyone has a civic responsibly to participate in our democratic society," Dixon said.

Cultural Organizations

Feeling at Home at GW

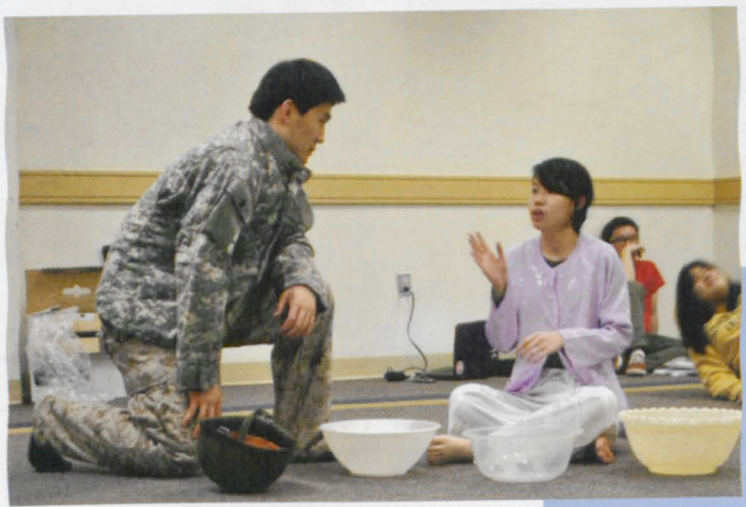


Japanese American Student Alliance

JASA aimed to foster awareness and encourage interest in multiple aspects of Japan and its culture within the GW community including traditions, politics, society, art, language, food and more.

"JASA was the only organization on campus that offered consistent programming and opportunities for students to learn more about and experience Japanese culture," said co-president Vanessa Tenazas. "We are not Japanese exclusive and in fact invite students of all cultures and backgrounds to join us."

The group organized a number of events throughout the year including its annual Japan Fest, movie nights, monthly dinners and restaurant outings, a documentary screening and monthly general body meetings.



Vietnamese Student Association

The Vietnamese Student Association strived to provide a forum to serve and learn about Vietnamese culture and community on campus. Dedicated to spreading the rich and diverse culture of Vietnam, the group allowed its Vietnamese and Vietnamese-American members to reconnect with their native culture and also encouraged students of all cultural backgrounds to join.

"During Vietnamese holidays or whenever I was homesick, it was great to know that I had a group of people who shared my joys and sorrows," said President Kim Cuc Ngo. "They were my family away from home."

The group also organized numerous events including their fall play "Stories from Our Que Huong: We Should Never Meet," a cultural field day, monthly general body meetings, outings to Eden Center, New Year (Tet) festival, Mid-Autumn Mood (Tet Trung Thu) festival, "We are Family" volunteer service, Thanksgiving dinner and a college preparation conference for high school students in the D.C. area.



Arab Student Association

With a goal to bring Arab and non-Arab students together to celebrate the diversity within Arab culture, ASA achieved provided various social and educational events and resources. They also offered opportunities for GW students to learn the Arabic language and practice with native speakers or learn about their native cultures.

According to President Ben Wadih Hamd, ASA gave students the opportunity "to meet people from various cultures, backgrounds and learn about the Arab culture and language."

In addition to moving into the Multicultural Student Services Center, ASA organized a variety of events including networking events, a large family meal, movie screenings and their annual Hafla.

Indian Student Association

As one of the largest student organizations on campus, ISA aimed to preserve and promote Indian culture both within and outside the GW community. The group sought to maintain a tradition of excellence through various events.

"Everyone has a home at their respective universities and I have truly found mine in ISA," said philanthropy chair Deena Elmeged. "I have learned how to embrace my heritage and I owe that, in full, to ISA."

The group shared the diversity of Indian culture through a variety of events throughout the year including their annual freshman dinner, Little India, Navratri and Diwali Show. They also hosted events such as a Republic Day speaker event, a freshman feast, Relay for Life date auction, field day, Holi Show, crossover basketball tournament and formal during the spring semester.



Chinese American Student Association

CASA aimed to promote the understanding and appreciation of Chinese and Chinese-American culture through year-round programming, community service and charitable activities.

"I grew up in Taiwan immersed in a mix of Chinese and Taiwanese culture, so when I got to GW, I knew I still wanted to be a part of that. I looked for a Chinese cultural organization at the student org fair, and found CASA," said President Stacy Lin. "As cliché as it sounds, CASA really does feel like one big family."

The group hosted numerous events including a calligraphy workshop with JASA, a service auction food outings. They celebrated the 13th annual Lunar New Year show where they served all-you-can-eat Chinese food, had prizes and giveaways, and cultural performances including lion dance, fan and umbrella dances, freshmen skit and 'gu-zheng' to commemorate the Year of the Snake.

Cultural Organizations

A Melting Pot of Cultures



Philippine Culture Society

The Philippine Cultural Society was founded to increase cultural awareness, understanding and promote fellowship by celebrating Filipino and Filipino American traditions and values. This tight-knit cultural organization provided its members with numerous opportunities to learn, engage and have fun through outings, dance performances, cooking classes, film festivals, annual culture shows and the traditional annual Turkey Bowl, a football tournament with other schools in the D.C. area.

"We were a very interesting group of people individually and absolutely quirky in our own ways, and I still call them 'family' when we're all together," said PCS president Christopher Cordero. "Somehow, PCS managed to maintain professionalism when it needed to yet still fostered an environment where we could be ourselves and have ridiculous fun, while also finding the time to devote a considerable focus on our studies and get good grades."

Organization of Latino American Students

Established to enhance the awareness of the Latino culture on campus, politically advocate Latino issues, promote academic excellence and nurture unity and pride, OLAS welcomed all students to experience the Latino and Latino American life through their programming.

"I wanted to pursue and develop issues that I am passionate about—such as the empowerment of Latinos, bettering of my community, advancement of studies, community service, equality within societies and exploration of the arts," said media chair Ayesha Kravetz. "OLAS has allowed me to promote these issues."

Throughout the year, OLAS hosted a number of events such as Hispanic Heritage Month, La Fiestasa, Noche de Cultura and the Latino Heritage Celebration. They also organized the Latino Vote during the election season where prominent Latino speakers spoke about the importance of voting and the influence of the Latino vote in the election.





Setting: The MSSC

The Multicultural Student Services Center stood as a home away from home for many GW students and one that welcomed and embraced the cultural, racial, ethnic and intellectual diversity of the GW student population.

From hosting events and monthly cultural celebrations to assisting students in developing co-curricular and experiential learning opportunities for GW students, MSSC gave students more than just space and learning opportunities. The center gave students memories, the opportunity to express themselves and the direction they needed to take themselves beyond graduation and into the world at large.

Black Student Union

Founded in 1968, the Black Student Union fostered a sense of community and fellowship among all students of the African Diaspora at GW. BSU sought to encourage the "intellectual, political, cultural and social growth of all GW students" through its "enriching programs, mentorship and service."

"There was something special about being on a campus where the minority is not the majority, yet easy access is provided to be a part of the multicultural community and the GW community," said President Bryson Rouzan-Thomas. "Although we were a small organization, our leadership and power within the multicultural community and beyond has a voice that stood out like no other."

BSU's largest programming of the year was the Black Heritage Celebration which featured keynote speaker Jeff Johnson, Soul Revue and several intellectual and social events hosted throughout the month in collaboration with various multicultural and Greek organizations. The group also hosted its annual BSU honors event in April as well.

Caribbean Student Association

The Caribbean Student Association aimed to preserve, educate and celebrate the cultural identity of the Caribbean through unique programming and events.

"CSA was a unique organization that worked to truly educate and celebrate the uniqueness of Caribbean people," said President Shelbie Atkins. "The Caribbean was a region that beautifully married the foods, music and traditions of the African, Latino, Indian and Asian Diasporas. Still, out of many, we as Caribbeans were one people and CSA worked to embrace that."



The group hosted numerous events including the traditional holiday dinner and their first annual Haiti week in January. They also partnered with a non-profit charity called the Oshun Project to help provide relief to Haiti through environmentally sustainable water purification systems throughout the island.

GW Radio

Broadcasting from the state-of-the-art studios in the Marvin Center, WRGW sought to provide diverse programming to satisfy, entertain and inform the GW student body. Running live programming from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m., seven days a week during the school session, this student-run, Internet radio station's programming included music, sports, talk and news and specialty shows.

WRGW started out as "the Radio Club" in 1929 by Howard Cole, Samuel Hall and Albert Webster and has had a long legacy as an entertaining, professional presence devoted to the public interest of the student body.

"There is something for everyone here," marketing director Anissa Najm said. "Whatever you were into, whether you wanted to have a talk show dedicated to geek culture or a music show that specializes in classical and electronic music, WRGW gave you an avenue to express it."

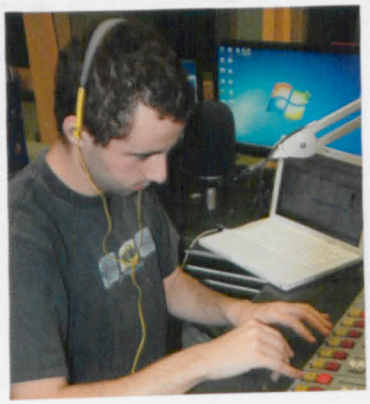
The WRGW family was a diverse community of students dedicated to keeping the GW community up-to-date with the latest happenings and trends in and around the university.

"There were always challenges," Najm said. "Sometimes our soundboard didn't work, sometimes we didn't have enough money to hold the events that we wanted and to fix all the technical issues, and sometimes not everyone could agree on how best to move forward. Even though there were setbacks, though, we were always able to figure them out eventually because at the end of the day we all truly cared about the station and wanted what was best for it."











GW TV

As an entirely student-run television station under the patronage of the School of Media and Public Affairs, GWTV gave students the daily inside scoop on the latest news and trends at GW.

Transmitting on channel 6 throughout GW facilities and residence halls as well as featured content online, GWTV produced numerous programs including a political debate show, a weekly sports debate program and a countdown show, titled Colonial Crossfire, Unstoppable and Colonial Countdown, respectively.

"We were the only student organization that allowed students to get their hands on cameras, host a show in a real studio and produce that show from a real control room," general manager Eugenia Finizio said. "GWTV stands out because television is very different than any other form of media, and we were the only organization on campus that puts together television broadcasts."

In addition to providing the GW community with a variety of programs, GWTV also gave its production team the opportunity to get the real-world experience of producing, hosting and running their own television broadcasts.

"SMPA classes have been great, and all of my media internships were valuable, but it is the things I learned and the time I spent and the struggles I worked through at GWTV that have taught me about the television and media industry," Finizio said. "I will graduate hopefully leaving GWTV in better shape than I found it in, and I will have friends that one day will be the future producers and anchors of America."











Character Snapshot



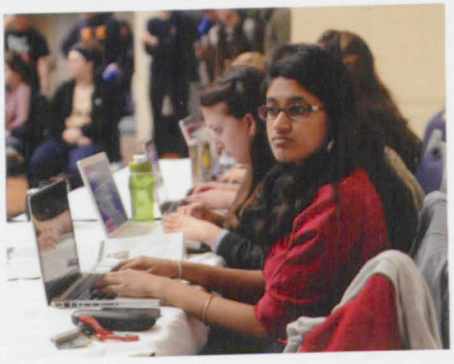
"I won't get an A for sacrificing every Friday morning of my college career, and I won't get a letter of recommendation out of my time at GWTV, but I will get to say that I know what it is like to run a television station."

—Eugenia Finizio

The Hatchet









As the leading publication on campus, the GW Hatchet worked to document the biggest news, trends and events within and around the university throughout the year. Publishing bi-weekly issues every Monday and Thursday, the award-winning publication also gave its staff a platform to voice their opinions on student issues and university policies, and review sporting events, theater productions and go-to spots around the District.

The GW Hatchet was also the second-oldest publication in the District after The Washington Post, and gave its staffers the opportunity to practice real-world print and online journalism.

"This paper gave me the best playground for journalism you could imagine," said editor-in-chief Priya Anand. "I really learned how to take a raw idea and transform it into a crisp final product. We got to write the first drafts of history while having a lot of fun along the way."

The dedication of the staff was impeccable throughout the year and was especially evident during election night where the entire staff gathered and worked together until 2 a.m. in the the G Street townhouse to plan and execute the next day's historical issue.

"The Hatchet has defined every aspect of my GW career and I've made lifelong friendships that will bring even more memories after I graduate," Anand said. "The institution gave me a lifelong family."

Wooden Teeth

Wooden Teeth, the university's longest running literary magazine, gave students across campus the opportunity to express themselves creatively through prose, poetry and art. Published the fall and spring semesters, Wooden Teeth published work by current students, alumni and faculty every semester.

"Our organization stood out because of its relaxed atmosphere. There are no criteria to joining. Everyone can speak and express their opinions during our meetings," said submissions director Irene Gutleber. "The main point was a love of literature and a desire to discuss, analyze and review the work produced in the GW community."

In addition to their weekly meetings, Wooden Teeth staff also held poetry and prose readings, often partnering with GW Review, throughout the school session "in order to foster the artistic growth of the GW student body."

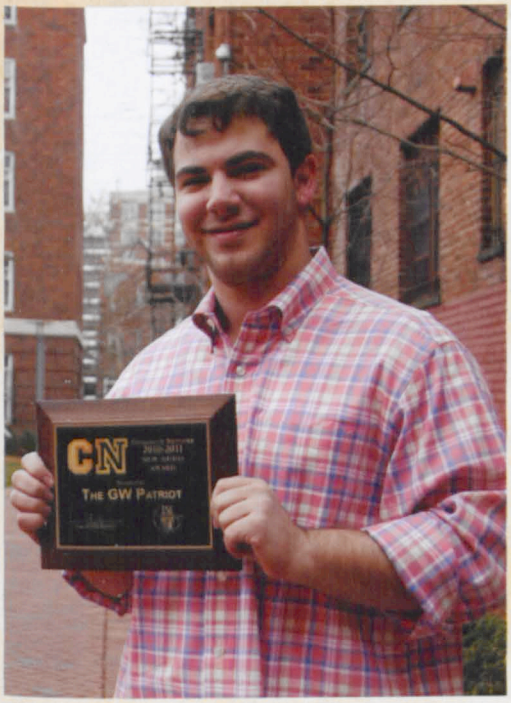
"I think we provided an opportunity where everyone can be equal and given an opportunity to express themselves, which can be lost elsewhere on campus," said Gutleber.







The Patriot



As a non-partisan publication by and for GW students, the GW Patriot never hesitated to make its voice and opinions heard. This journal of politics and culture "challenged the orthodoxy of university life by exploiting topics often ignored under the status quo."

With the aim to "defend individual freedom, intellectual diversity and fundamental human rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," the GW Patriot sought to inform and engage their readership by publishing the opinions of real students relevant to the interests of the GW family.

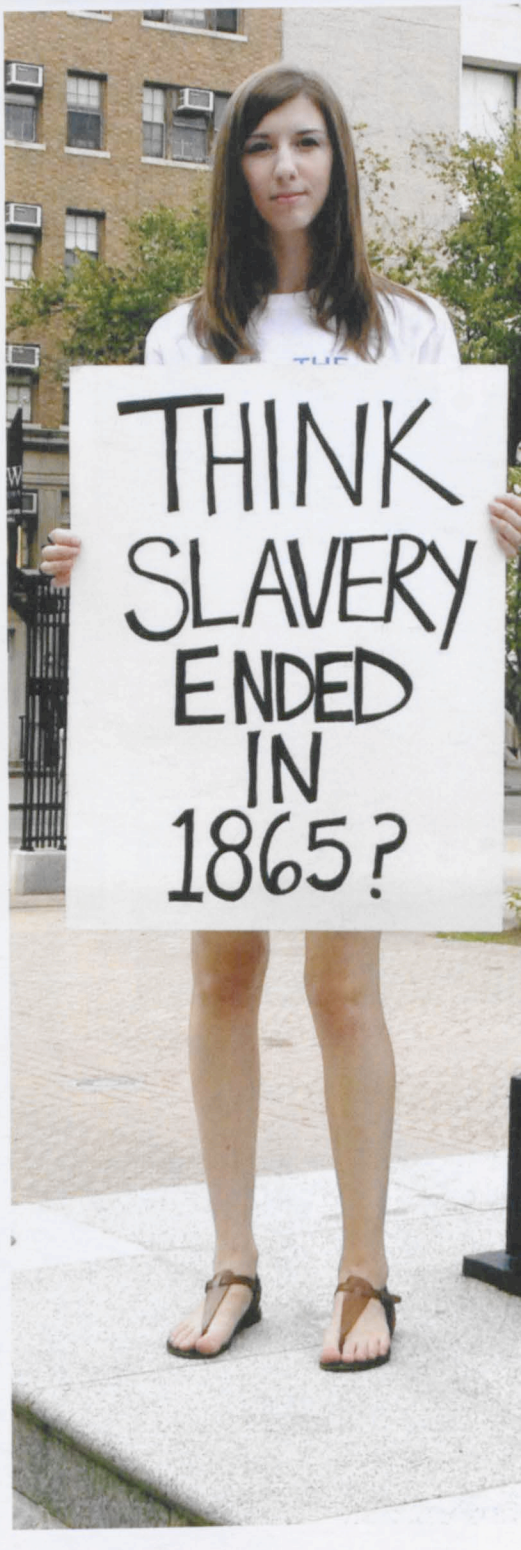
"There was no other publication on campus that gave writers the kind of freedom and flexibility that we gave our staff," said editor-in-chief Zachary Gorelick.

Since its founding in 2002, the GW Patriot has rapidly expanded its readership and influence and won the Collegiate Network's "Best New Media" award in 2011.

"I think that one of the best 'only at GW' moments for me was interviewing the head of the Westboro Baptist Church," Gorelick said. "It was really wild talking to someone controversial enough to bring out the entire student body in protest. She even sang to me over the phone. Only at GW."

Speaking Out: Student Activist Groups





Students Against Sexual Assault

With a mission to provide the GW community with educational and supportive services related to sexual assault, the GW Students Against Sexual Assault hosted various programmatic events, guest speakers and awareness campaigns throughout the year. GW SASA also organized the 90% campaign, donation-based yoga classes, and 'Walk a Mile in her Shoes' event to raise awareness about sexual assault and harassment, domestic and dating violence on campus.

Character Snapshot



"I think being involved in this work has helped shape me into a multifaceted leader as well as a more socially aware human being. It has prepared me for life outside of GW and I feel has increased my capacity to appropriately approach those causes I feel strongly about."

—Emily Rasowsky, SAS President



Amnesty International

By promoting awareness of human rights violations, GW Amnesty International educated the student population through a variety of speakers, debates, screenings and campaigns throughout the academic year. The group held a Global Write-a-thon to urge various world governments to respect and protect human rights and the freedom of expression. They also planned a debate during the election season, as well as various speakers and movie screenings to raise awareness, respect for and action taken in support of human rights.

Voices for Choices

Voices for Choices existed to educate and promote awareness about reproductive health and rights, pro-choice activism and reproductive freedom both on and off campus. VFC hosted a number of programming and lobbying events from "Cooking and Condoms in Kogan" to lobbying on Capitol Hill for progressive sex education to further and foster awareness and activism within the GW community.

Food Justice Alliance

The Food Justice Alliance sought to educate, unite and mobilize the GW community "to restore the environment, build relationships and pursue justice through food for a local and sustainable food system." During the year, the FJA tripled the growing space in the garden after winning an award from Nature's Path Cereal, successfully grew over 1,200 pounds of food to donate to Miriam's Kitchen and also brought in Keith McHenry, co-founder of Food Not Bombs to educate the GW community about global food justice.

The Free Project

The FREE Project at GW fought to raise awareness on campus to eliminate modern slavery from our daily lives by launching a petition campaign to "Make GW a Slavery-Free Campus." The group participated in the annual Stop Modern Slavery Walk on the National Mall, hosted guest speaker James Kofi Annan, survivor of child slavery in Ghana, and coordinated with Tina Frundt, survivor of sex trafficking and founder of Courtney's House to organize a holiday clothing drive for local survivors of domestic minor sex trafficking. They also organized a screening of the documentary "The Dark Side of Chocolate."

Colonials for Life

As a non-partisan, non-sectarian, pro-women and pro-life group on campus, Colonials for Life worked towards furthering the discussion and debate on the issue of abortion on campus. Through various activities and programming throughout the academic year, this organization sought to promote and achieve a culture of life at GW. In addition to hosting speakers and talks about the value and culture of life, the group also joined with other pro-life advocates around the nation to participate in the annual March for Life.

Student Global Aids Campaign

Dedicated to ending the global HIV/AIDS pandemic, the Student Global Aids Campaign worked to provide and promote awareness and resources, prevention of HIV transmission and access to HIV/AIDS treatment and care at GW and around the globe. This group also organized direct service, campaigning and lobbying both on campus and within the community through events such as the GW Week of World AIDS Day.

Religious Organizations



GW Catholics

Catholic students looking for a community to pray, socialize and dine with often found their home in the yellow townhouse on F Street – the Newman Catholic Student Center.

The Newman Center was run by students together with a chaplain, Fr. Greg Schaffer, and campus minister Amy West. By holding daily mass in the townhouse chapel and hosting free delicious home cooked meals every Tuesday, GW Catholics strived to create a community and opportunities for students to learn, engage and practice their faith on campus.

"College is a time in students' lives where they search for meaning in their lives, and I found that with GW Catholics," President Justyna Felusiak said. "GW Catholics helped to meet you where you are with your faith, and beyond the free food and long lasting friendships, you could come to the Newman Center for Mass, Adoration, spiritual direction, bible studies and the great library full of resources to learn about Catholicism."



Satyam

As GW's Hinduism awareness organization, GW Satyam worked to engage and educate students through various programs "promoting awareness and understanding of Hinduism and eastern spirituality."

Striving to bridge the gap between Hindus and non-Hindus on campus, Satyam gave students the opportunity to learn more about the religion and culture through a variety of campus-wide programs celebrating their beliefs, lifestyles and religious holidays.

"My favorite memory within Satyam was our annual event, Diwali Dreams," said communications director Megan Krishnamurthy. "This year, about 200 people came to celebrate the Hindu festival of lights, and seeing so many people appreciating and learning about Hinduism made me realize what a great organization Satyam truly is."

GW Satyam were also especially famous for their annual Holi celebration on University Yard during the spring semester where they provided over 600 pounds of colored powder, water guns and mini pools for people to throw at each other to celebrate the Hindu festival of colors.



Agapé

As a branch of the Agapé Mission Church, the Agapé Campus Christian Fellowship at GW worked as a platform for Christian students to learn, develop and practice their spirituality through "the insightful teaching of God's word and the genuine camaraderie that is fostered between the students and staffers."

"This organization presents an authentic and meaningful portrait of what it means to be a Christian," sophomore Desmond Dozier said. "This was unique at a school like GW where the institution and student body were rather liberal and may have the view that Christianity is an antiquated faith with too many of its adherers holding sanctimonious attitudes. The leaders of Agapé affirmed the timelessness and validity of the Christian faith through their nonjudgmental compassion for their student members while simultaneously staying true to their core values."

Agapé also allowed students to engage socially and spiritually through their regular small group meetings, Bible study, fall and spring college conferences and weekly Sunday worship in Maryland.



Ahimsa

With the intention to foster non-violence through community service, GW Ahimsa Community Service Organization served "to provide a platform for educational, cultural, social, professional and community service events, enhance learning and provide a forum for safe dialogue within the GW and broader D.C. community." "Ahimsa," meaning non-violence, was an important way of life for leaders such as Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and thousands of people around the world.

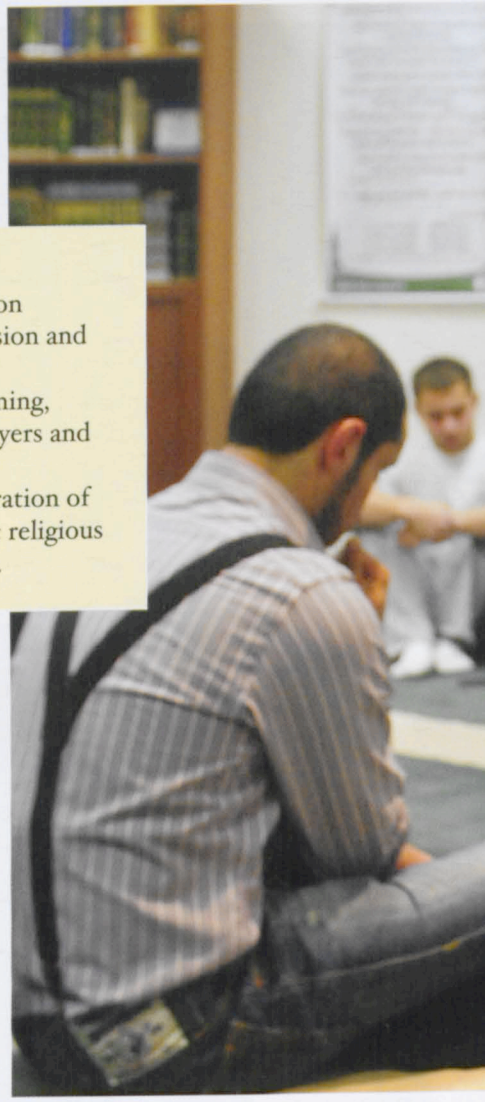
President Knapp and the GW community recognized GW Ahimsa as one of the premier community service organizations through the production of their benefit concert, Peace Jam, which raised over $20,000 for charity.

This student organization also collaborated with Iota Nu Delta Fraternity, Inc. to organize the D.C. Be the Change: National Gandhi Day of Service in October where over 200 volunteers from D.C., Maryland and Virginia came together to 'be the change' to participate in community service around the District.

Ahimsa also held a variety of other community service events throughout the year including their annual Ahimsa Welcome dinner, South Asian Marrow Association of Recruiters (SAMAR) Drive, Samosa sale for charity, Cupcakes and PB&J sandwich drives, and many others.

Religious Organizations

Fostering faith and friendship



Muslim Student Association

Aiming to serve the best interest of Islam and the Muslim community on campus, the Muslim Student Association promoted unity, spiritual expression and friendship between Muslims and non-Muslims alike.

"I decided to join because the members were really friendly and welcoming, and because it did offer a small prayer space on campus, weekly Friday prayers and interesting discussions," said senior Aliya Karim.

In addition to the traditional Iftar dinners during the September celebration of Ramadan, the MSA also arranged and held congregational prayers, Islamic religious festivals, fun social gatherings and educational events throughout the year.

Jewish Student Association

As one of the largest student groups on campus, the Jewish Student Association has served as the foundation for Jewish life for students by supporting and celebrating Jewish traditions and values. By partnering with Hillel, JSA offered students unique programming throughout the year to celebrate religious holidays and create new, lasting friendships.

"JSA approached religion on a person to person basis, exploring the roots and traditions to create something new, fun, exciting and meaningful, carved out of the trends and wants of the students, both involved and uninvolved," said JSA President Gabriel Felder.

The group hosted a variety of programs throughout the year including its classic programming for the High Holidays, Sukkot barbeques, Hanukkah lightings, Kogan Klatchin and Jews in Politics featuring Jewish political speakers from both sides of the spectrum.



Character Snapshot



"It's really all about the environment. It's a place where I feel at home and I think most other students do as well."

—Liel Azoolin, Chabad GW



Sikh Student Association

The Sikh Student Association promoted awareness of Sikhism on campus by promoting equality, service and establishing a sense of community amongst its members in addition to educating the larger student body about the religion of Sikhism.

"SSA prides itself on heavily being built on community service. As a religion, Sikhs are told to give back to the community, so we tried to promote that through our events," SSA President Ravjot Singh said. "From PB&J Drives to charity functions, the organization gave back not only to the Sikh community but to any community in need the D.C. area."

Some members of the SSA were also invited to celebrate the festival of Diwali with President Obama in the White House. The organization also held a number of events throughout the year including their annual Langar (community meal), Vaisakhi Mela, which celebrated the founding of the Sikh community and a variety of movie viewings which discussed the Sikh community and some broader aspects of Sikhism.

Chabad GW

With the aim to engage and facilitate the needs of GW's large Jewish student population, Chabad GW worked to provide students with "the opportunity to experience a Jewish enriched college life." Based on the ideology of Chabad and the encompassing mitzvah "to love every Jew as one loves himself," the Chabad Lubavitch Jewish Student Center strived to provide religious, social and educational programming for students on campus.

"Whether through a massive Chanukah celebration on Kogan Plaza, or through an intimate Friday night Shabbat dinner, Chabad GW inspired students to connect with a deeper part of themselves and to contribute to Tikkun Olam - repairing the world," said senior Alexander Zafran.

The organization hosted a variety of events such as weekly Torah study and pizza, celebration of holidays, traditional weekly Shabbat dinners and the annual Menorah lighting in Kogan Plaza during Chanukah.



Theater companies took on new challenges

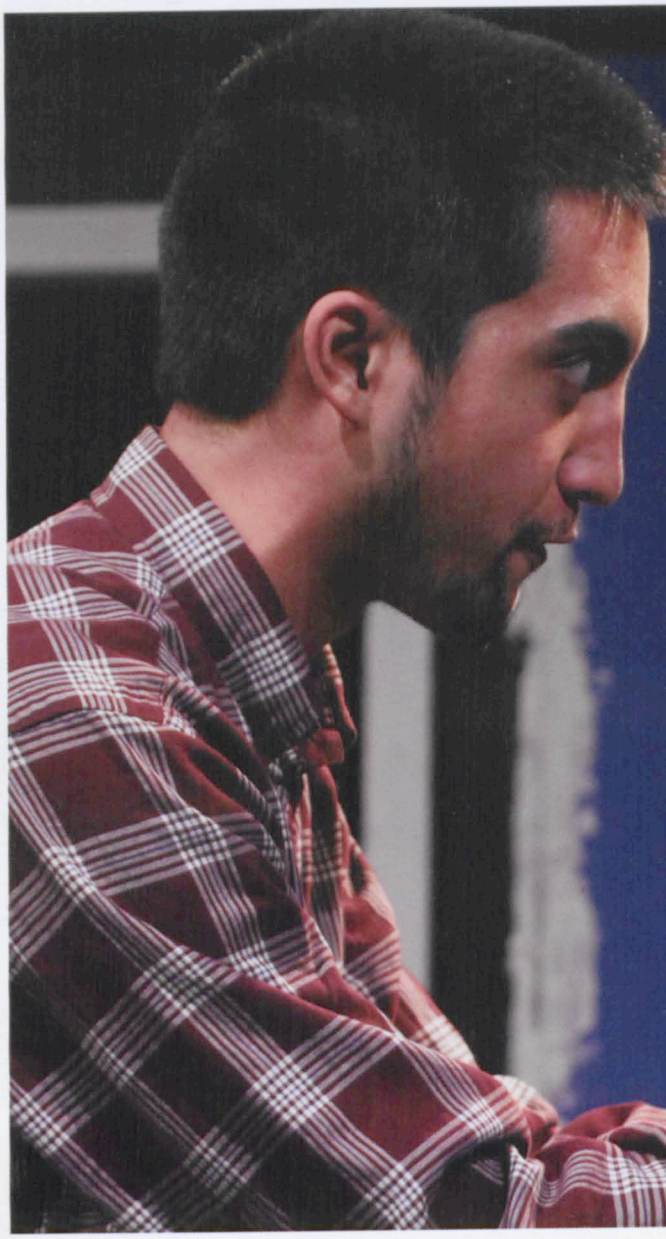
Forbidden Planet Productions

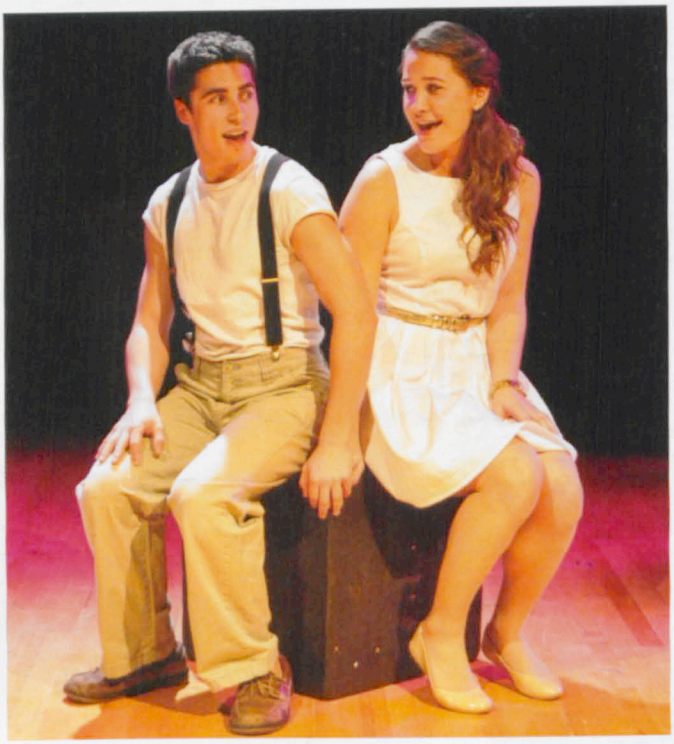
Featuring dark comedies and thought-provoking musicals, Forbidden Planet Productions' 18th year anniversary was a challenging year that encouraged its members to step out of their comfort zones and try new things.

Founded in 1994, FPP aimed to provide students with a unique, fun and professional experience in theater to produce well-rounded performers.

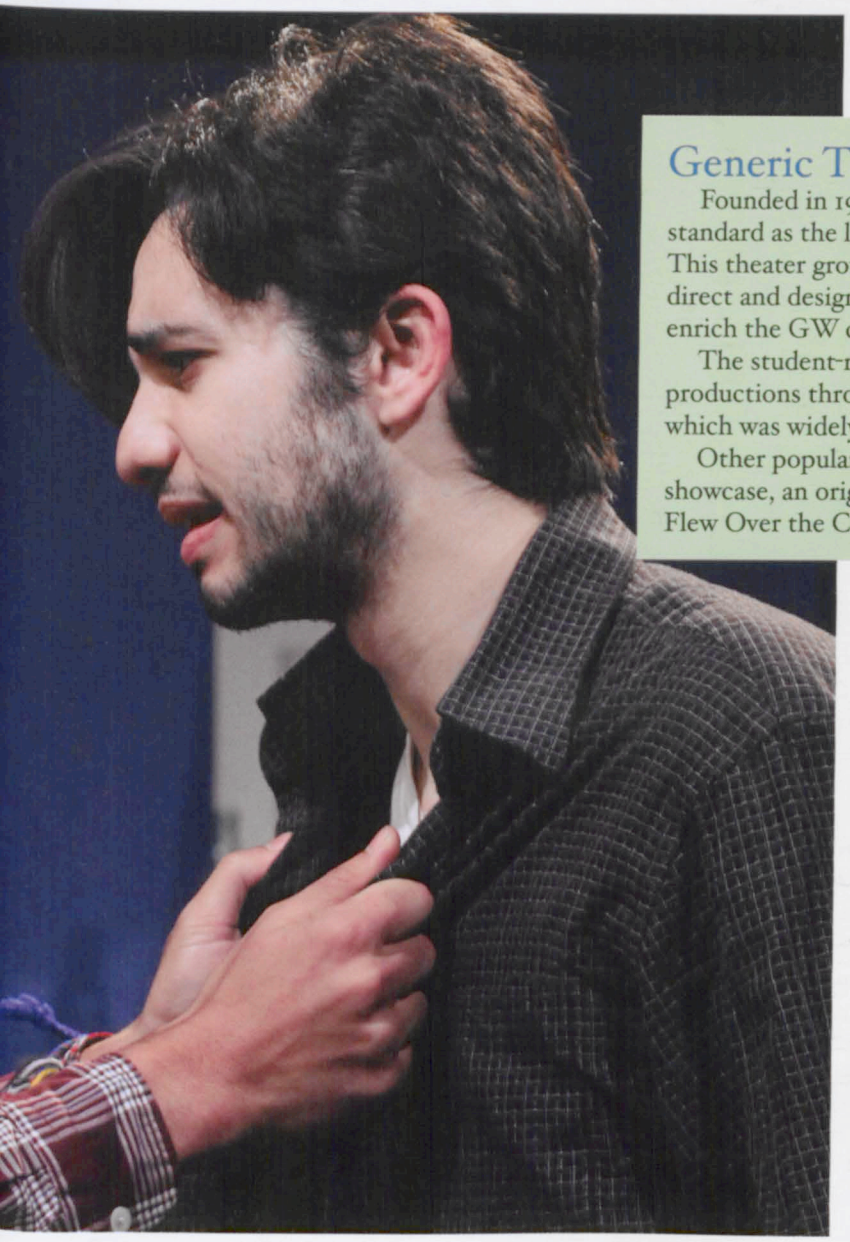
"No matter how you got involved with FPP, you would join a wonderfully supportive, talented, and entertaining family," said President Zachary Evans. "Everything about FPP was run by students, and it was for that reason we formed a tight-knit group that became a family."

FPP productions during the year included its famous annual production of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" and other incredible shows including "The Pillowman," "Urinetown: The Musical," "Assassins," "The 7th Annual Musical Cabaret," "The Wild Party" and "Party Worth Crashing."









Generic Theater Company

Founded in 1985, the Generic Theater Company held itself to a higher standard as the largest and oldest student-run production company on campus. This theater group aimed to provide its members the opportunity to perform, direct and design theater in an artistic, creative and supportive setting and enrich the GW community through the art of theater.

The student-run theater company was also able to experiment with their productions through their biggest fall production, "Cabaret: The Musical," which was widely successful and popular on campus.

Other popular shows during the year included the traditional freshman showcase, an original student-written musical called "Show of a Lifetime," "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" and "Wit and Doubt."







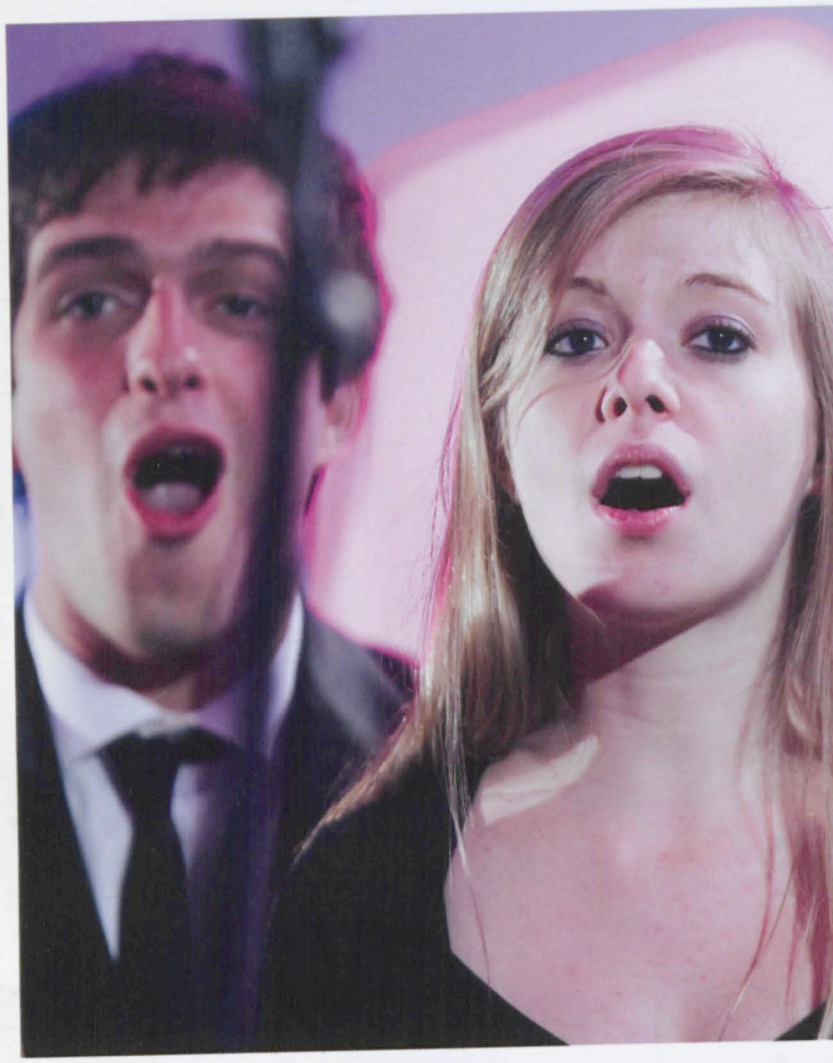
14th Grade Players

From Greek tragedies to modern dramas and comedies, Fourteenth Grade Players pushed the envelope of its productions by providing its members with the resources, professional atmosphere and light-hearted support needed to create, produce and stage incredible student productions.

"There were challenges almost every week," said Artistic Director Peter Guren. "From actor conflicts, to rights issues, to getting kicked out of our theatre by the Russian secret service, part of the fun of our company were how we rose to meet those challenges."

Some of the popular productions by the Fourteenth Grade Players during the year included the "Welcome Back One Acts Festival," "Dog Day Afternoon," "Death of a Salesman," "A Funny Thing Happened On the Way to the Forum," "Why Torture is Wrong and the People who Love Them," "Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead" and "Flaming Guns of the Purple Sage."

Acapella Groups



GW Vibes

Founded in 1999, the GW Vibes was an a cappella group that covered a wide range of musical styles and eras in their performances within and around the GW campus.

"We had a very visible presence on campus, performing at various GW events," said juniors Eleanor Aldous and Peter Berini. "People knew us as the fun-loving group with an amazing sound."

From singing in the stairwells after rehearsal to performing at the White House, the GW Vibes performed at several events throughout the year including the GW Inaugural Ball, and the DC A Cappella festival at Georgetown University. They also performed at various fundraising events both on campus and off-campus, including the GW AIDS Vigil. In 2013, they performed their annual winter concert at the German Church, competed in the annual Battle of the A Cappellas, and finished up their newest CD.

Sons of Pitch

The Sons of Pitch was an all-male a cappella group founded in 2003 that prided themselves on "always maintaining a diverse and eclectic mix of genres within their repertoire."

Bonded by their commitment to music, diversity and public service, the Sons were dedicated not only to producing good music, but also to having fun along the way.

"The Sons were a brotherhood," said business manager Tae Min Kim. "It was a place where you can go and make beautiful music with close friends while having a good time and goofing off. It was a place where nothing matters except that you can sing."

The Sons also participated and performed in many on and off campus events throughout the year including Acapellapalooza, their Fall Blowout Winter Concert, the GW Inaugural Ball, Battle of the Acapella and their charity concert, United States of A Cappella, with guest groups from around the country.



GW Sirens

Founded in 2003, the GW Sirens was an all-female a cappella group on campus dedicated to arranging and performing their own music in every genre from rock to classical music.

"I would never forget when they called and sang for me over the phone when I got accepted as a freshman," said business manager Ran Wei. "What I think is the most spectacular was that we were all so different that if it weren't for Sirens, we wouldn't have found each other otherwise. Sirens brought us together, and brought sometimes uncommon people onto common grounds."

The group performed at a variety of events throughout the year including an NBCUniversal event during President's Day weekend, Soul Revue, SPADE Dance Concert, Acapellapalooza and performed at GW's Inaugural Ball.



Troubadours

The GW Troubadours was the oldest student-run a cappella group on campus composed of 21 diverse GW students. This co-ed student group arranged and performed music from a variety of genres including R&B, rock, jazz and hip-hop.

"It was a fun and exciting way to have your voice heard," said GW Troubs president Quinette Jefferies. "Troubs was a group with a great appreciation and love of music, and if I had to start over as a freshman, Troubs would be the first stop I made at GW."

The Troubs performed at several events throughout the year including Fall Fest, at the White House in December, at their winter and spring concerts and at the Sing out for Shelter concert. They also held their annual fundraiser, Acappellapalooza, and performed at GW's Inaugural Ball, which allowed the group to share their passion and talent with the GW community.

Voice Gospel Choir

The Voice Gospel Choir was an a cappella group that "combined contemporary gospel music with praise, dancing and sign language to celebrate the magnificent word of God."

As a non-audition choir, the Voice provided GW students with the opportunity to participate, perform and socialize through their passion for music.

"We had fun singing and socializing with each other outside of practice, but we truly strived to enhance our personal walks with God, and inspire others to do the same," said director Danielle Moore. "Being a part of the Voice was the most rewarding experience I've had throughout my four years at GW."

The Voice held and performed at a variety of events throughout the year including their own concert at the Mount Vernon Campus Hand Chapel, the GW Inaugural Ball, Hunger and Homelessness Awareness week and the Interfaith dinner. They also performed at the Battle of the A Capellas and their spring finale concert in April.



GW Pitches

The GW Pitches was an a cappella group dedicated to performing, learning and making great music together through a wide variety of musical styles and songs.

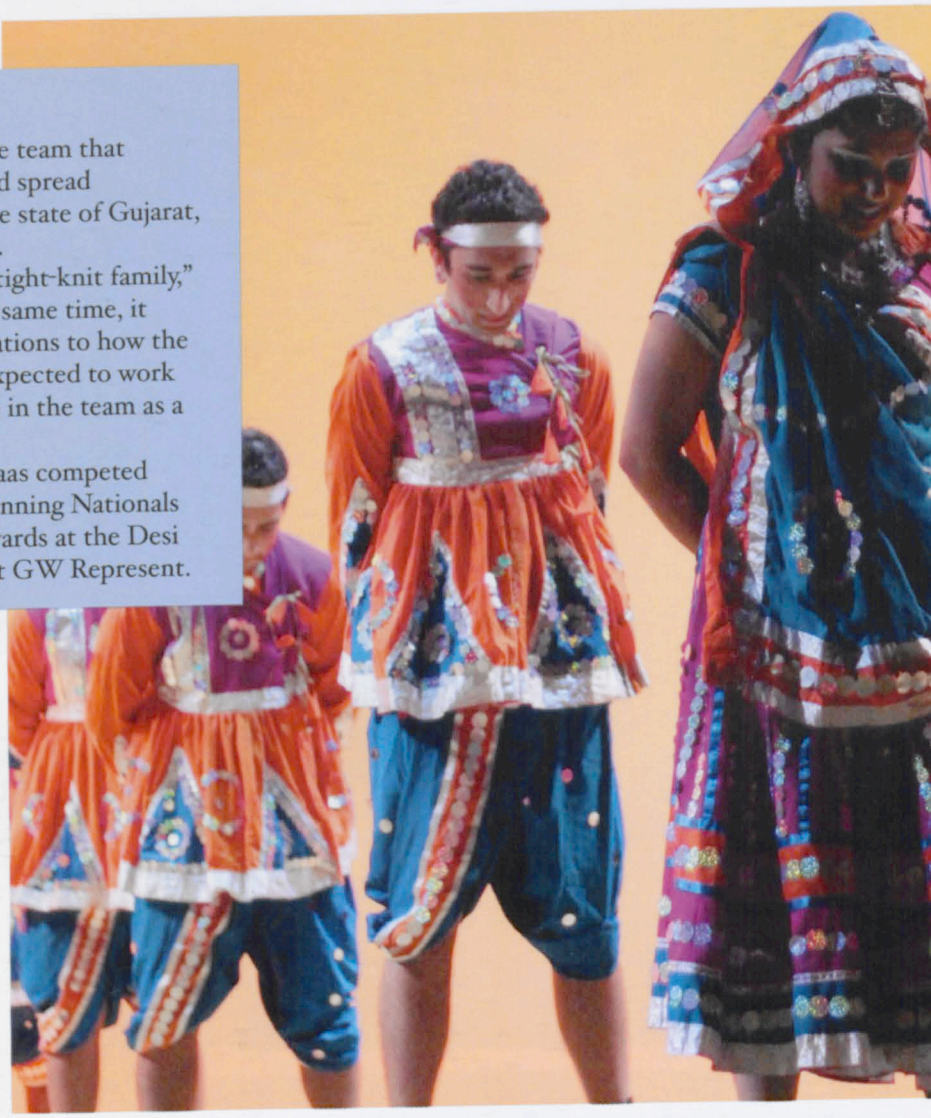
Formed in 1996 as the first all-female a cappella group on campus, the Pitches was composed of composed of 16 vocally diverse singers.

"For me, weekly rehearsals would be what I miss most about the GW Pitches," said GW Pitches President Laurel Schmitt. "Whether it was struggling through a new song, finally mastering a difficult harmony, or attempting to beat box to Michael Jackson, rehearsals always brought great stories and plenty of laughter."

One of the highlights for the GW Pitches was Christmas caroling at the White House during the holiday season, where they were also invited to meet First Lady Michelle Obama during their break.

The group also performed at various other events both on and off campus, including Acapellapalooza, the Washington Auto Show, GloveMed Coffee Shop fundraiser, SPADE, the Goucher College A Capellathon and the GW Battle of the A Cappellas.

Dance Groups



Raas

GW Raas was an award-winning competitive dance team that traveled across the nation with an aim to promote and spread awareness of Garba, a popular folk dance native to the state of Gujarat, located in Western India, as well as GW school spirit.

"GW Raas offered its members a chance to join a tight-knit family," said GW Raas vice president Parth Chauhan. "At the same time, it offered a chance to join a team that has direct applications to how the real world operates after college; each member was expected to work hard for team goals, and to understand his or her role in the team as a whole."

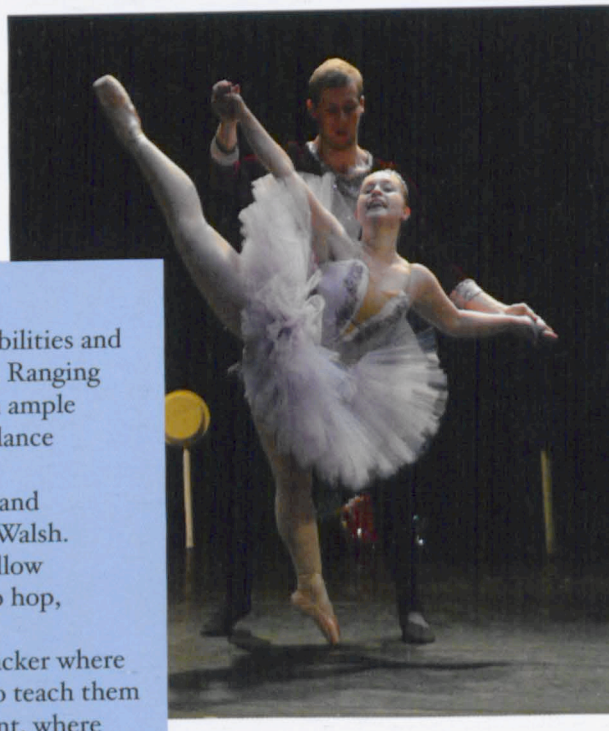
As the #2 ranked Raas team in the nation, GW Raas competed across the U.S. throughout the year. In addition to winning Nationals in Dallas last year, GW Raas also swept numerous awards at the Desi Dance Teams awards ceremony as well as Best Solo at GW Represent.

Bhangra

As one of the nation's first collegiate Bhangra teams, GW Bhangra was a competitive co-ed dance team that strived to promote the lively Punjabi folk art through competitions and performances on and off campus.

"GW Bhangra was a highly energetic and creative form of folk dance that really got those dance juices flowing," said GW Bhangra co-captain Pratigya Singh. "I think what made us stand out on campus was our immense passion for what we do. We, as a team, were so proud to be doing what we are doing that wherever we go people can feel that energy. For us, bhangra was a lifestyle, a team and our family."

GW Bhangra performed and competed at a variety of venues throughout the year including the half-time performance at the GW vs. Kansas State game, University of Virginia Bhangra Night, Nach Ke Dikha, a major bhangra competition at William and Mary, and Bhangra Blowout 20. The team was also the overall winners at GW Represent, and established themselves as the best dance team on campus.



Balance

Founded in 2004, Balance was a GW Ballet group that allowed dancers of all abilities and commitment levels to learn, explore and pursue their passion for the art of ballet. Ranging from beginners to pre-professionals, Balance aimed to provide these dancers with ample opportunities both in the classroom as well as on stage by finding "the perfect balance between classical ballet and contemporary dance."

"We were accepting of anyone who wants to dance. We did not make any cuts and therefore have a great diverse group of dancers," said Balance president Kristine Walsh. "Each dance, for all of our performances, was choreographed and costumed by fellow students. We offered classes varying from beginner to advanced in ballet, jazz, hip hop, modern, partnering and more."

One of the highlights for Balance was their annual performance of the Nutcracker where they had a cast of over 60 dancers. They also worked with local school children to teach them ballet as well as participated in Welcome Week, Midnight Breakfast and Represent, where they won Crowd Favorite.



Dance groups showcased their skills at GW



GW Ballroom

Dedicated to bringing ballroom and Latin dancing to the GW campus, the GW Ballroom dance team provided students with a variety of opportunities to learn more and experience the art of ballroom dancing. In addition to providing classes open to the GW community, the group also had a competition team that attended intercollegiate and amateur ballroom dance competitions.

"It was one of the greatest feelings in the world when you really mastered the steps and excelled on dance floors in clubs or at large events," said GW Ballroom president Michelle Avrutin. "It gave its members a break from all the stress and work that comes with college, as well as a chance to meet some of the most wonderful people."

GW Ballroom also performed at Represent, GW's annual dance competition, and hosted Dancing with GW, a ballroom competition modeled after Dancing with the Stars featuring GW staff as the stars.

Capitol Funk

Bonded by their love of dance, music, food and sneakers, Capital Funk was a student dance group that aimed to promote hip hop culture and dance on campus.

"It was a diverse community of people who enjoyed engaging with people from all different backgrounds, supporting one another in all we do, and ultimately bonding over our love of dance and food," said co-captain Corinne Haynes. "But we also worked hard to improve as dancers and as a team so that we could perform at our absolute best ability and compete at hip hop competitions around the East Coast."

One of the highlights for the dance group was winning first place at Elements XIII, a hip-hop dance competition in Boston, where they established themselves as the number one team on the East Coast. They also performed at various events on campus and around the district including the Student Performance Showcase, the MSSC Block party, Colonials Invasion, Greek Week Skit Night, Midnight Breakfast and GW's Inaugural Ball.



Allied in Pride

As the largest LGBTQ advocacy organization at GW, Allied in Pride sought to work towards a "happy, healthy and equal environment" for the LGBT community on campus.

The organization hosted a variety of unique events throughout the year including Basketball for Equality, Drag Queen bingo and speed dating, and they volunteered in Miriam's Kitchen and participated in AIDS Walk Washington.

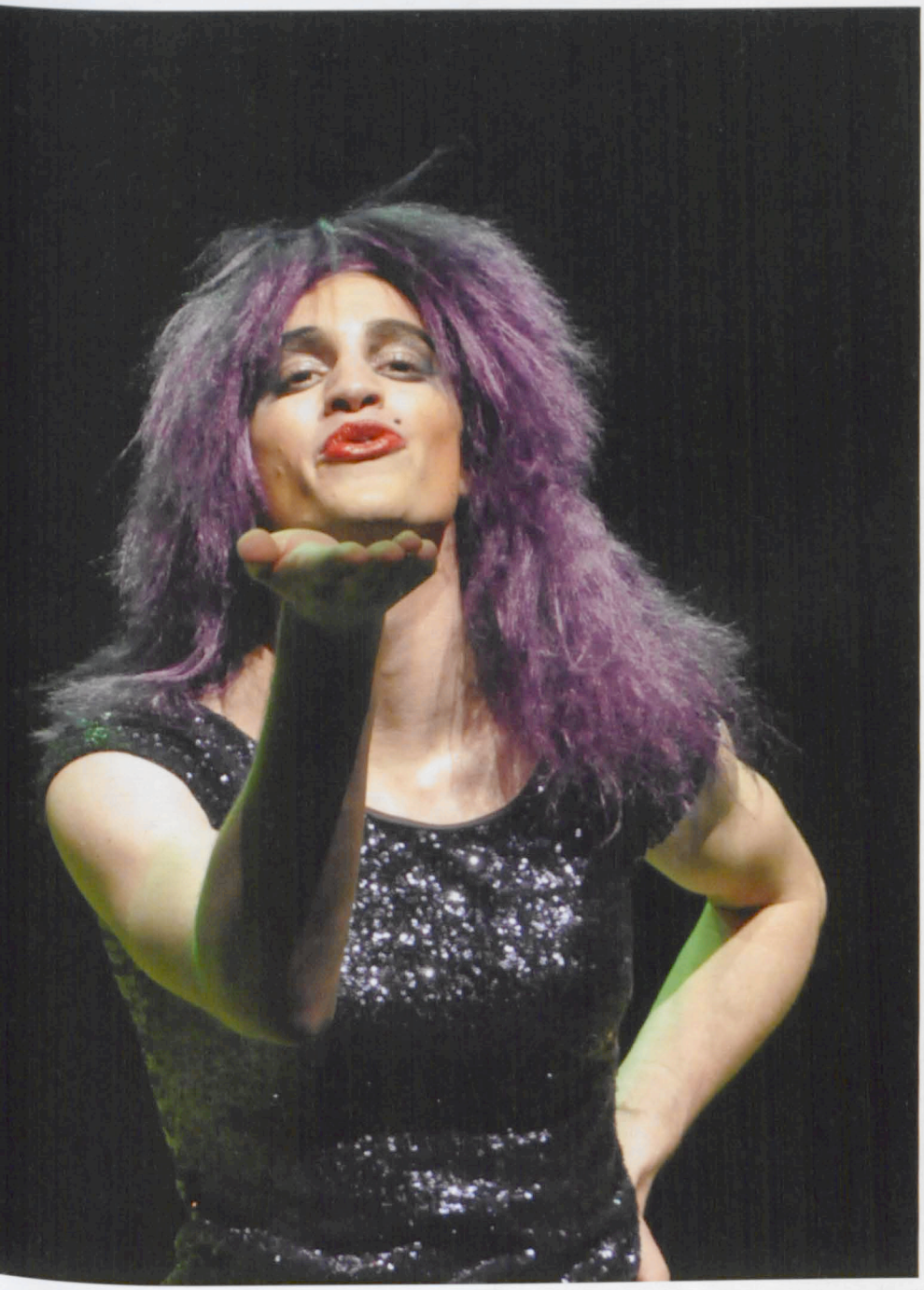
They successfully hosted "Allied in Greek," a philanthropy event organized as a drag competition with the Greek community to help raise money for both the Trevor Project and the winning fraternity's philanthropy. The organization also worked with the Student Global AIDS Campaign to launch a safe sex photo campaign to promote safe sex through provocative photos. They also began a "1 Girl 5 GW Gays" web series which included a sex-positive panel discussion about issues related to the LGBT community at GW.

"My favorite memory was definitely from our 'how to please your partner' event, where we had a panel of people of different genders and sexual orientations discuss sex," said Allied in Pride president Nicholas Gumas. "We always have at least one panelist with an outrageous story that makes everyone laugh, which is of course great for entertainment purposes but it was also fantastic to see people speak so candidly about their past sexual experiences. Promoting an honest and safe dialogue about sex is essential to the health of our members, making this event both enjoyable and informative."

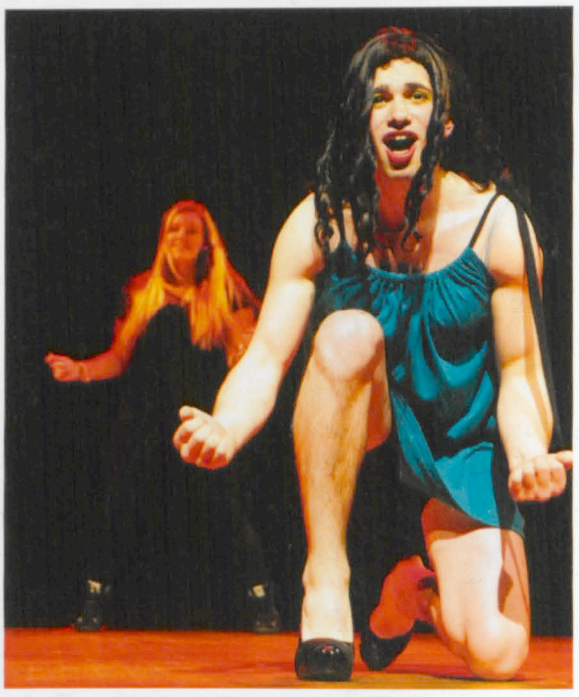
Over the years, Allied in Pride had successfully brought gender-neutral housing, an LGBT minor and increased access to condoms to GW. The organization also provided its members with LGBT-themed social events, internship and activism opportunities and unique and inspiring speakers.

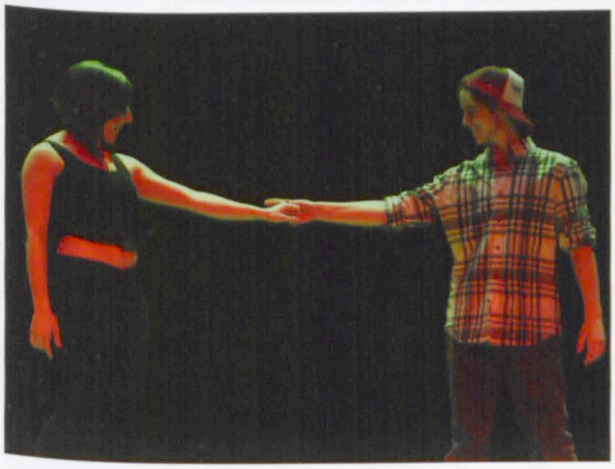




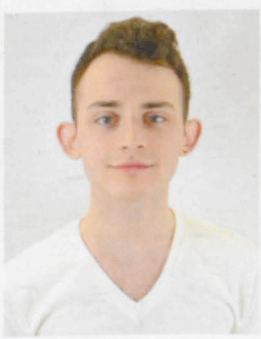








Character Snapshot



According to Allied in Pride president Nicholas Gumas, hosting the "Allied in Greek" drag competition with the Greek chapters on campus was his #onlyatGW moment. "It is not an easy thing to do for many of the Greek members, but the fact that they were willing to participate to help raise money for charity is truly an #onlyatGW moment," Gumas said.

Service Groups

Student service groups gave back to the community



Buzzing for Change

Buzzing for Change was a one day event where participants could shave or cut their hair to donate to make wigs and show solidarity with those who lose their hair due to chemotherapy.

With a mission to "educate and engage collegiate communities while inspiring action through participation," Buzzing for Change allowed college students to develop leadership skills while raising money to fight against cancer.

"This year we focused our efforts on bringing the best Buzzing for Change event to GW filled with entertainment, food, fun and of course a lot of haircuts," said Buzzing for Change President Christine Healy.

In addition to raising money, this organization allowed for members of the GW community "help change the lives of children living with cancer, one shaved head at a time."



Camp Kesem

Founded in 2007, Camp Kesem was a student-run camp for children of past and present cancer patients in the Washington D.C. area. In addition to helping campers build self-esteem and provide them with a supportive camp community, this award-winning student organization helped "empower college students to make a difference and build invaluable leadership skills by developing and managing every aspect of their Camp Kesem chapter."

"Other than being able to spend an amazing week at camp, our organization provided the opportunity for students to learn skills that was not usually available to most college students," said Camp Kesem Executive Co-Chair Kimya Forouzan. "Our members have experience fundraising upwards of $70,000 in one year, planning an entire week of camp, writing grants and managing boards. This is unlike any other college experience."

Hosted every August at Camp Louise in Cascade, Maryland, annual camp activities ranged from canoeing and archery to color wars and hosted 65 campers, 45 student counselors and five staff members in their 2012 camp.



Emergency Medical Responce Group

The George Washington University's Emergency Medical Response Group (EMeRG) was a student-based volunteer organization licensed to provide basic life support that strived to serve the GW community on both the Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campus.

Founded in 1994, the organization aimed to "provide outstanding emergency medical care as well as valuable educational opportunities for its members" to excel as healthcare providers.

Although its membership did include pre-med students, it also comprised of a wide variety of non-science or non-medical students with a "passion for public service and emergency medicine."





Relay for Life

Having held fundraisers throughout the year, Relay for Life encouraged student organizations, Greek groups, sports club teams and individuals within the GW community to raise money to fight cancer in the annual relay event.

On April 20, 53 teams with around 900 participants gathered in the Lerner Health and Wellness Center walked, played games and showed their solidarity with cancer patients. In addition to holding a luminaria ceremony, participants also raised around 600,000 dollars at the all-night event.

Character Snapshot



"It is such a privilege to be able to attend GW and have so many opportunities to get involved by serving our community."

—Christine Healy
Buzzing for Change President

Program Board















As the largest student-run event-planning organization on campus, Program Board worked to provide GW students with quality programming through concerts, film screenings, rallies, fundraisers, lectures and other events.

One of their signature events, Fall Fest, featured DJ Diplo and RDGLDGRN as well as free food, music, student group performances, Fall fest shirts, and a dunk tank with GW leaders.

DJ Diplo opened his set during the concert despite the coming rain and lightning. Students jumped, danced and fist-pumped until his second encore before dashing out of the yard when it finally began to rain.

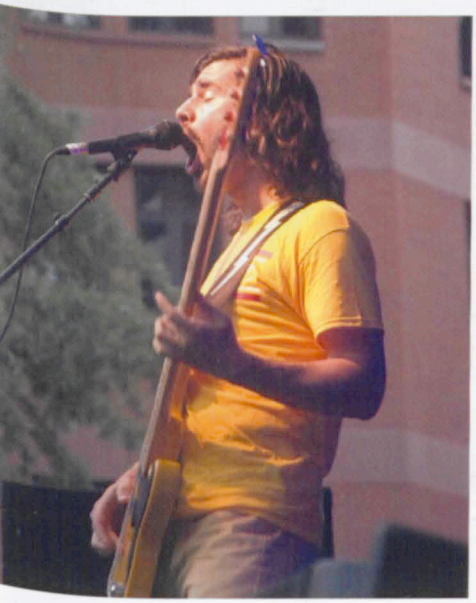
PB also had hip hop duo Macklemore & Ryan Lewis and indie rock band Walk the Moon perform at Spring Fling in April.

In addition to their signature university-wide concerts, Program Board also hosted numerous smaller events geared towards a variety of interests throughout the 2012-2013 academic year.

PB hosted Midnight Breakfast in Paris during which GW faculty and staff volunteered to serve a free, hearty breakfast and stress-relief activities to give students a much needed break from the stress of final exams. GW administrators including President Steven Knapp, Senior Associate Provost and Dean of Student Affairs Peter Konwerski, Provost Steven Lerman and Lori Lerman volunteered to serve students a variety of breakfast favorites including French crepes with strawberry and blueberry sauce, scrambled eggs and country fried potatoes.

The group also screened movies like Dark Knight Rises, Ted and The Amazing Spider Man during their fall film series.

Demonstrating GW students' passion for service, the group also held a Hurricane Sandy Blood Drive together with the Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service as well as Relay for Life and Bingo for Boobies to help raise money for the American Cancer Society.





NROTC

Preparing college students for service to the community and the nation

While most students are were soundly asleep in bed, students in the GW NROTC program woke up early, donned their uniforms and engaged in intense physical training sessions at the crack of dawn.

Preparing college students to be Navy and Marine Corps Officers, the GWU Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps program was established in 1984 to "educate and train qualified young men and women for service as commissioned in the unrestricted line of the Naval Reserve or Marine Corps Reserve."

The midshipmen of the battalion adhered to high physical standards and receive professional development through their participation in leadership labs and Naval Science Courses, in addition to their prescribed course load. Depending on a midshipman's position in the unit, commitment ranged between four to ten hours each week.

"Through NROTC you developed a pride in yourself and what you do," senior Tiffany Aguiar said. "It was an honor to be able to walk around in campus in this uniform."

Running down to the Lincoln Memorial, World War II Memorial, and the National Mall at sunrise and running by the Commandant and Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps was a memory that made the training of NROTC midshipmen in the District a unique and special one.

Through their training, courses and leadership labs, the Midshipmen learned about various aspects of military life and gained invaluable skills to use as a Navy officer. Battalion activities also allowed midshipmen to focus on service to the community, each other and our nation.

Interested students also had the opportunity to participate in other ROTC programs including the Army ROTC program known as the Hoya Battalion headquartered at Georgetown University.

Drawing a large number of cadets from GW, students underwent intense physical and mental training to train students and groom them for their roles in the United States Army. The Army ROTC program was also recognized as the top-ranking senior ROTC battalion in the nation by the U.S. Army Cadet Command in late January.

Other interested students also participated in the Air Force ROTC program located at Howard University to prepare for active duty as an office in the U.S. Air Force and dedicate themselves to the principles of "Integrity first, Service before self, and Excellence in all we do."

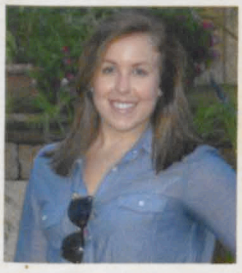


Character Snapshots



"I joined ROTC because I want to continue the long history that my family has in serving the United States. I think that by being an officer in the Army I will have earned my right to my freedom. ROTC is difficult but I really enjoy the challenge."

—Preston Quinn



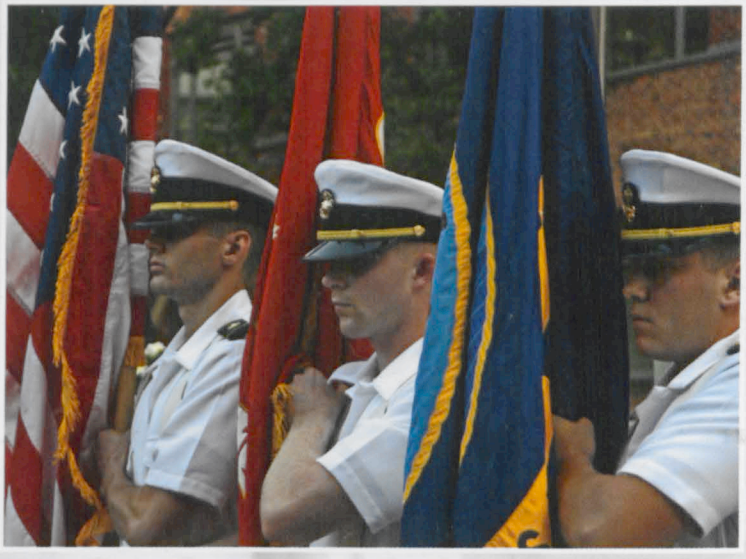
"I would be lying if I said I love every minute of ROTC, sometimes those early mornings come too soon, but at the end of the day I am so glad I made the decision to join. I've met some of my best friends with this program, and have become close to my class. "

—Ashley Strahle



"I joined [NROTC] as a means to give back to the United States which has given me many gifts of opportunity to succeed and be who I am."

—Claire Osterman







Living on GW Campuses

A traditional and non-traditional experience

For students craving peace, quiet and an intimate community feel, the Mount Vernon campus was their home away from home at GW. Nestled in Washington D.C.'s wooded Foxhall neighborhood, the beautiful Mount Vernon campus provided students with a wide variety of academic courses, six residential options and student life programming throughout the academic year.

Looking over the green turf field and tennis courts, West Hall, the crown jewel of the Mount Vernon campus, served as a beautiful multipurpose residence hall and campus life center for students on the Vern. This residence hall was also home to Pelham Commons, the dining hall with a grill that famously served late-night burgers and chicken fingers to hungry students.

Perched near the Vern Express shuttle stop, Eckles Library was the perfect quiet location for students pulling all-nighters and doing research as opposed to the hustle and bustle in Foggy Bottom's Gelman library.

Jetties, located just down the road from the Mount Vernon Campus, was a popular go-to stop for students who delighted in their turkey, cranberry and stuffing sandwiches and their deliciously creamy milkshakes.

For students who wanted a more traditional college experience, the Mount Vernon campus was their perfect home at GW.

For students who craved being a part of everything that is Washington, D.C., the Foggy Bottom campus was the reason behind the popular hash tag #OnlyatGW.

Located only blocks from the White House, world-famous Smithsonian museums, State Department and a number of international and national headquarters, students living on the Foggy Bottom campus had a variety of international, political and cultural resources at their fingertips.

With the majority of GW's academic courses located on the Foggy Bottom campus, hundreds of students took the opportunity to live in the heart of the nation's capital. The perfect picture of campus life in Foggy Bottom could be seen along the H Street corridor with rows of food trucks lining outside the Gelman Library with students rushing between classes to grab a quick bite to eat or chilling in the classical Tempietto in Kogan Plaza.

In addition to several residence halls around the 42 acres of campus, Foggy Bottom was also home to the Health and Wellness Center, the Charles E. Smith Center, GW Hospital and fully equipped classroom buildings.

Whether it was running to the White House after the election results or basking in the silence and beauty of the Lincoln Memorial at midnight, Foggy Bottom proved to be many students' home away from home and college experience of a lifetime.



Living on Foggy



Change in Setting: Living on The Vern



Character Snapshot



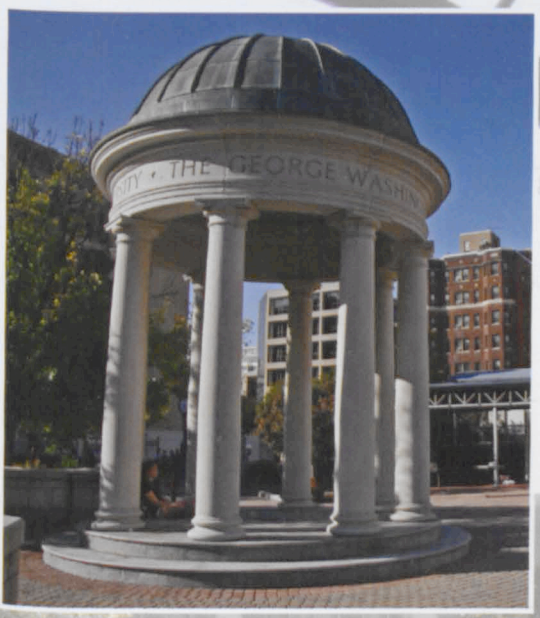
"Living on the Vern isn't for everyone, but you really can't beat having your own room in West. It means your roommates don't have to discover your weird quirks."

—Sophie Krensky













Learning the GW Way

Students took advantage of GW's unique academic opportunities and resources

Living and learning in the heart of Washington D.C., GW students had access to unique opportunities and resources unlike any other institution.

GW students picked from an extensive range of majors that gave them the opportunity and flexibility to explore a variety of interests and fields. This unique approach allowed students to design their own academic program and take interesting classes, double major and minor across GW's six academic schools and colleges.

As a research institution of higher learning in the nation's capital, GW offered students the unique experience of learning and working with global leaders, managers and citizens of the world. The university had set to invest more than $250 million in the next decade "in facilities and faculty who will discover innovative solutions in everything from groundbreaking cancer research and high-performance computing to the arts, sustainable energy and other innovative cross-disciplinary initiatives."

In addition to learning from faculty members who were experts in their respective fields, students also had access to research institutes, national and global centers and laboratories and world-class museums that surrounded the university.

From studying in the Library of Congress to conducting research with orangutans at the National Zoo, GW students took the typical college academic experience to a whole new level that also gave rise to the popular hashtag #onlyatGW.

Students also took advantage of the University Honors Program, a community of scholars that engaged with each other and faculty mentors, challenged themselves academically and broadened their perspectives through a variety of honors courses.

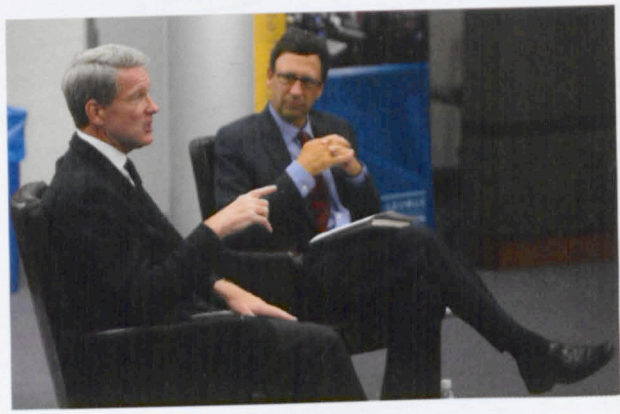
Incoming students at GW also participated in specialized programs such as the Elizabeth Somers Women's Leadership Program, Scholars in Quantitative and Natural Sciences and Dean's Scholars in Shakespeare. These programs allowed them to live, learn and engage in a community that allowed them to explore and further their interests in the sciences, mathematics, the arts, and much more.

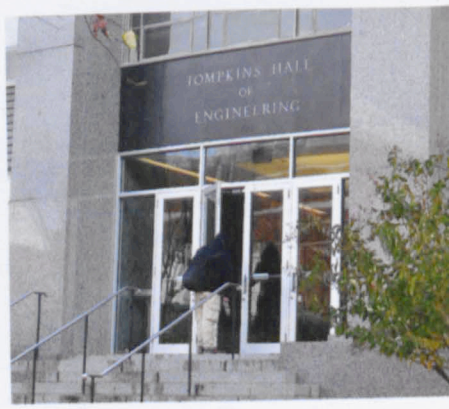
For students interested in medicine, GW also offered a joint program between the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Medicine and Health Sciences through the Seven-Year B.A./M.D. program that allowed students to accomplish their goal of becoming physicians in a shorter time frame.

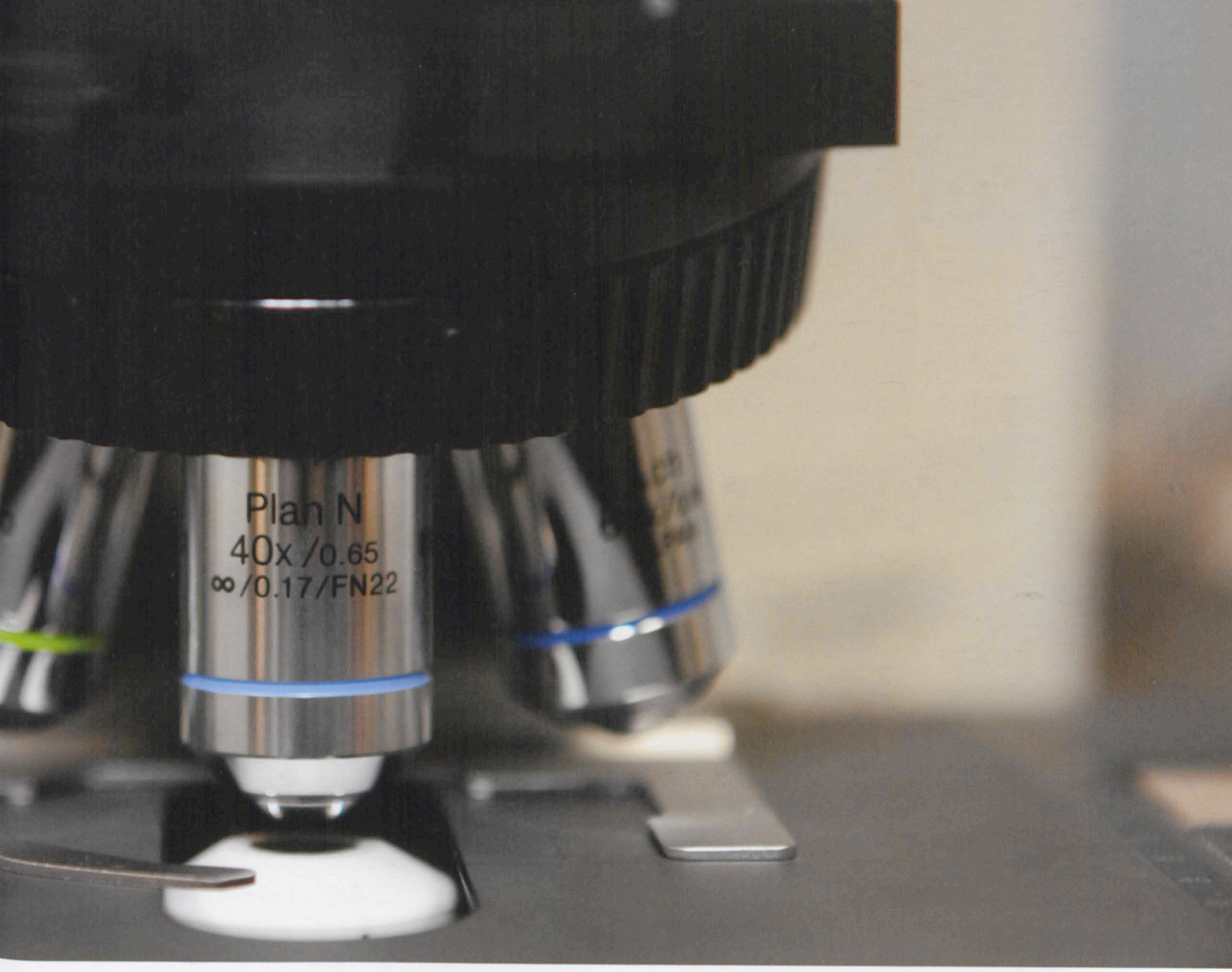
By integrating rigorous academic courses, research and real-world experiences, students were given the opportunity to enhance their academic life outside the walls of their classroom. Their #onlyatGW experiences and memories were unparalleled and ones that eventually led them out into the world as true global representatives of their alma mater.



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Setting: Gelman Gets a New Look

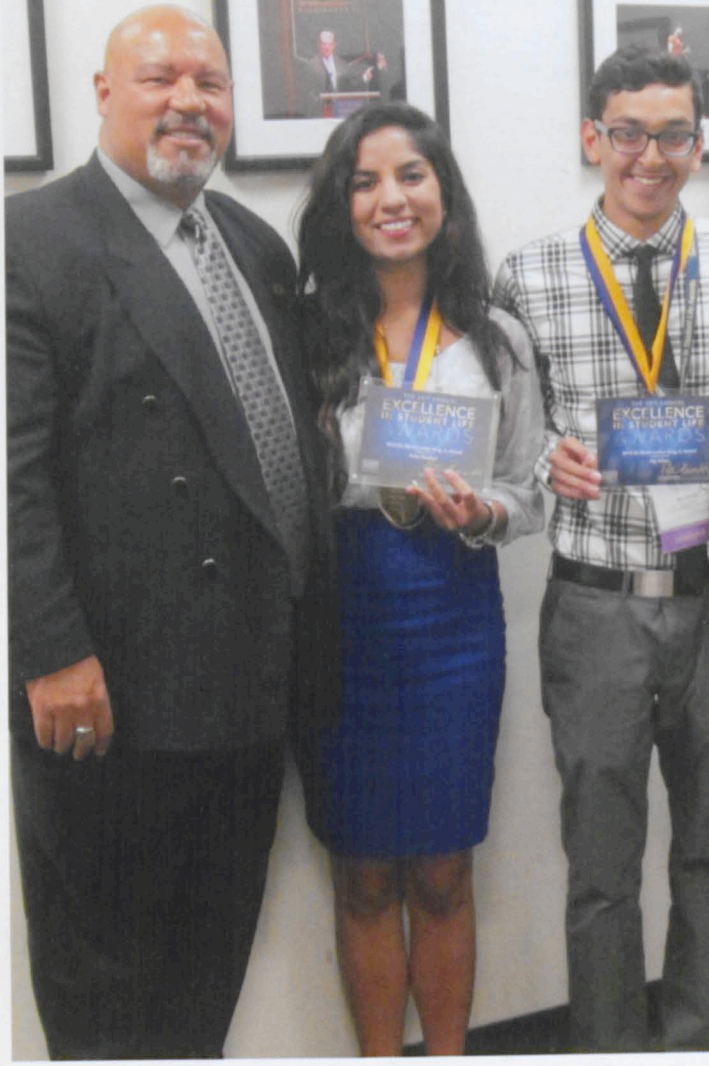


In its largest upgrade to date, Gelman Library was getting a facelift. Renovations were geared towards a more welcoming ground-level entrance through Kogan Plaza and began during the summer with an estimated summer 2014 completion date. The long-awaited upgrades also included laptop bars, more study space, multi-purpose rooms and first and second floor reorganizations. However, replacing what University President Steven Knapp called a "cave-like" entrance was not a quick and painless feat. Disruptive noises, jack hammering and drilling took over H Street throughout the academic year typically between 4 and 7a.m. Administrators also worked with students to ease the impact of construction by asking students to tape record the noise if they were disturbed during a time that was prohibited or troublesome. The construction work also toned down during finals giving students the peace and quiet they needed in the aging library during what students called the most stressful time of the year.



Excellence Awards





Baer Award for Individual Excellence
Ashwin Narla
Christopher Kim
Elizabeth Kennedy
JJ Minder
Lauren Shenfeld

Class of 2005 9/11 Memorial Scholarship:
Katherine Pena

Class of 2009 University Pride Award
Tyler Calder

Graduate Award for Individual Excellence:
Karen Chew

GW Student Employee of the Year Award
Justin Lingenfelter

Honey Nashman Spark A Life Award for Faculty Member of the Year
Dr. Susan Swayze

GW Wall of Fame
Aly Azhar
Adam Murphy
Danny Hajjar
Nupur Moondra
Trevor Rockhill

House Staff Member of the Year:
Peter Sacco

Joint Committee of Faculty and Students Scholarships
Alyaa Haidari
Felisa Wei Hsieh
Jennifer Fox
Stella Ju
Todd Morrill







Learning Through Action Award
Gallery 102 Committee

Manatt-Trachtenberg Prize:
Shirley Hsieh

The Marc A. Zambetti Award
Brandon Lawrence

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Award
Aly Azhar
Peter Sacco
Saira Thadani
Sarah Hillware

Mount Vernon Award
Ty Miranda

Outstanding Student Service Award
Karissa Broderick-Beck

Robert A. Chernak Spark A Life Award for Staff Member of the Year
Emily Penprase

Excellence in Diversity Award
Indian Student Association
Sigma Psi Zeta Sorority, Inc.

Outstanding Student Service Award
Puentes GW

Pyramid Award for Student Organization of the Year:
WRGW District Radio

Students' Choice for Performance Group of the Year
GW Raas

Walter G. Bryte, Jr. Achievement Award
AIESEC


COLONIALS

Mr. GW

Andrew Adams

Showcased the true meaning of GW spirit

When Andrew Adams attended Colonial Inauguration in the summer of 2009, like many of his fellow incoming colonials, he wasn't exactly sure what to expect. However, being greeted by the white polo and khaki-clad Colonial Cabinet made him feel like a part of the GW family – a feeling he too wanted to impart to future incoming classes.

As a sports management major from Norwood, Massachusetts, Adams was voted Mr. GW 2012-2013 for his dedication to experiencing and capturing the true spirit of GW.

Sporting his own wacky sneakers and singing the GW fight song with 34 others as part of Cabinet '11, Adams said the experience of welcoming the freshman class was more than just being orientation guides.

"It was talking to the student who didn't think that they would fit in and giving them the tools and know-how that every student has the opportunity and the ability to make their college experience something they will never forget," said Adams. "It was easing worried parents' minds in skits that even students with Asperger's syndrome like me can have a memorable and amazing college experience. And, it was taking a group of new students to experience the National Mall for their first Midnight Monument Tour and show them everything that this city has to offer."

Adams also joined STAR, GW's Student Admissions Representative program, as a tour guide to continue spreading the GW spirit. He was also involved with the Senior Interviewer Program, an elite group of highly trained GW seniors who conducted evaluative interviews for prospective freshman. As an SIP, he also served as an additional contact for prospective students throughout the admissions process and often stayed in touch via email.

Beyond the realm of incoming colonials, he also continued his high school passion for singing by joining the GW Troubadours, a co-ed a cappella group on campus during his first semester at GW.

"Since I joined, they have become my family here at GW. I'm not part of Greek Life, but I do think of the group as my 'mini-fraternity,' if you will," said Adams. "Being able to rehearse every Tuesday and Thursday was one of the best moments that I have every week, and it was definitely one of the biggest things that I would miss when I graduated."

Being a part of the Troubadours also opened him to unique #onlyatGW opportunities like performing before a Republican Primary debate in Constitutional Hall.

"Singing for thousands of people in the audience that night at a venue practically across the street from the White House, and then getting to stay and watch the debate – I'm pretty sure not many other schools have that opportunity for their students."

According to Adams, encompassing and experiencing GW spirit does not necessarily revolve around athletics alone.

"It was coming together in front of the White House to celebrate an Inauguration or rallying around a community event, such as the Before I Die Wall. It was going to an a cappella concert or taking part in a community service project in Southeast D.C. I saw fellow students making a difference in their communities every single day, and I can't believe that I had the opportunity to know them and could call many of them my very close friends."



Izzy Parilis
The Epitome of Community Service

When Izzy Parilis was a sophomore, her bike broke down on her way home from work, leaving her stranded in a dark lonely street in Dupont. A man, who appeared to be homeless, approached her and helped fix her bike without charging a penny.

"I didn't know who he was, but he recognized me from some places I had volunteered," said Parilis. "He said that he knew who I was and knew of the good work I did. It was amazing."

Parilis first got involved in GW's service community as a sophomore joining Alpha Phi Omega, the co-ed service fraternity, after which she was hooked.

"I was constantly surrounded by like-minded people who thought deeply about service, community development and poverty," said the Human Services major. "I began volunteering at a homeless services provider in Dupont Circle called Charlie's Place, where I built some pretty powerful relationships with clients and staff. It was transformative."

As president of the fraternity during her senior year and a former service coordinator at GW's civic engagement office, Parilis helped organize over 5,000 hours of service for GW students and volunteered at over 25 local DC area non profits.

"APO has singlehandedly transformed my GW experience. It has taught me the meaning of service, and has allowed me to surround myself with incredible people committed to changing the world," said Parilis. "It created a community of service for me."

When Hurricane Sandy ploughed through the East Coast damaging thousands of homes in New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and D.C. in November 2012, Parilis watched the news on Twitter and local news stations as she coordinated the first GW Responds trip to the Jersey Shore.

Parilis said her passion for community service stems from her belief that "all of the world's problems could be solved if we put our ideas into action."

"Step one of change-making is relationship-building, and I find that I cultivate the most meaningful relationships through service," Parilis said.

Volunteering both nationally and internationally, Parilis also had multiple service experiences abroad Guatemala, Uganda and Israel through numerous organizations, including GW Alternative Breaks and the American Jewish World Service.



Greek Life





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Fall Philanthropy

Greek members showed
their dedication to service











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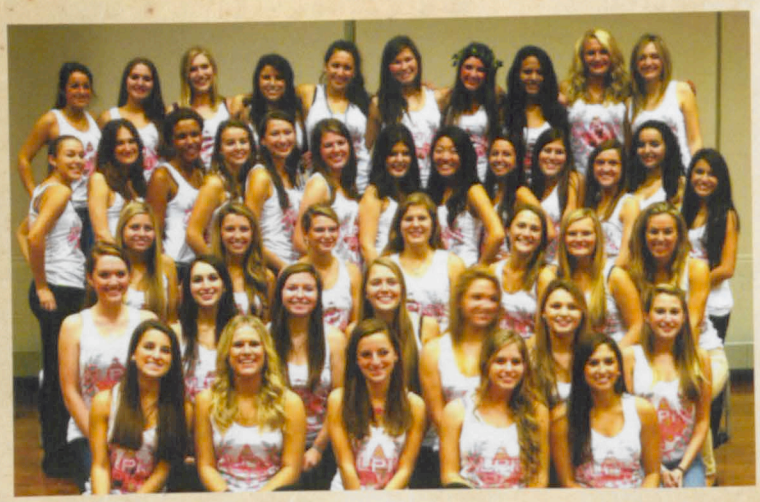


"Being able to give back to our community was a great experience. It was a lot of fun participating in different sorority and fraternity philanthropy events. There were many different events to support different causes and the Greek community was very involved in service."

—Audrey Akin, Chi Omega



ΑΦ Alpha Phi



Alpha Phi was comprised of members that adhered to the values of sisterhood, scholarship, service, leadership, loyalty and chapter development. Through their leadership positions on campus, Alpha Phis were proud of their high degree of involvement. Alpha Phis national philanthropy was The Alpha Phi Foundation, which builds awareness and raised funds for women's heart health. The annual Red Dress Gala was one of the highlights of the fall, where Alpha Phi's attended a gala with their sisters and parents during Parent's Weekend. Sisters attended crush parties, mixers, semi-formal and formal. Alpha Phi was a prominent chapter on campus and sisters were truly connected to each other!

"Union Hand in Hand."



Each fall, the Greek community dedicated a week to their various philanthropies. Last fall was no different, as each chapter held events to raise money for the philanthropy of their choice. Philanthropy events usually included some sort of athletic competition, a pageant or bake sales. Greek members made it their passion to support local and national charities. Kappa Sigma's fall philanthropy event, "I'll Be Home for KristmaS," raised money for the Wounded Warrior Project. Sorority chapters enjoyed competing in the annual "Funger Games," where women participated in Pugal Stick Knockout and bungee cord races. Throughout their philanthropy week, Kappa Sig also collected items for "Operation Caregiver," an organization that supplied relief care packages for soldiers and marines who were deployed overseas. Alpha Delta Pi's "Diamond Heist" raised thousands of dollars for The Ronald McDonald House. Highlights of ADPi's philanthropy week included the first annual "Lion King Pageant" and a field day in U-Yard. Perhaps the most interesting part of the field day was when fraternity brothers were blindfolded and preceded to eat doughnuts out of a tree. Sigma Kappas had a great time raising funds and awareness for Alzheimer's research. Fraternity men duked it out in dodge ball and ultimately PiKapp came out on top! SigEp's Sweetheart Week supported the Youth Aids Foundation. The week's events comprised of a "Sweetheart" Competition, a BBQ in Square 80 and Apache Relays in U-Yard. Alpha Phi competed hard to come out victorious. Fraternities battled it out on the HelWel basketball courts for Chi Omega's "Swishes For Wishes," an event which raised money for the "Make A Wish Foundation." Kappa Kappa Gamma headed down to the National Mall for "Kappa Kickball" to support their philanthropy of choice, Reading is Fundamental. Finally, Pi Kappa Phi invited sisters to run in the Marine Corps Marathon and support their philanthropy, PUSH America, during a Campus Fresh Fundraiser. Greeks were very dedicated to service and philanthropy, and had a great time showing their dedication throughout the various philanthropy events during the year.

ΚΦΛ Kappa Phi Lambda



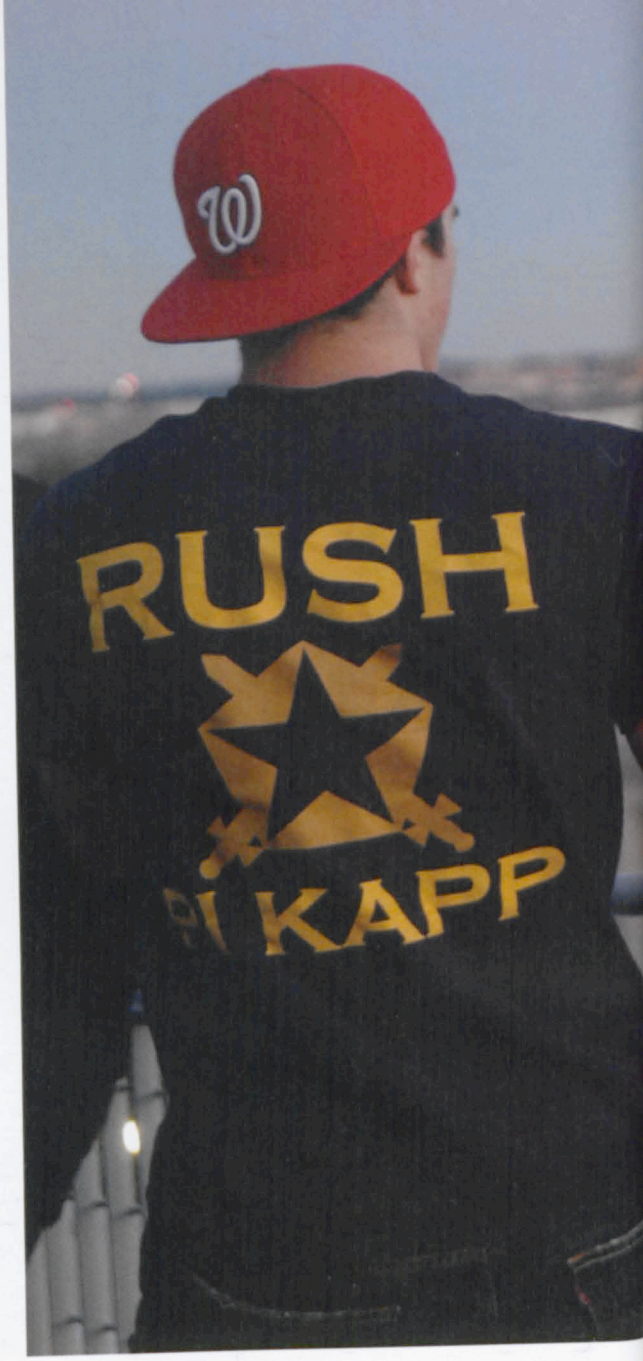
Kappa Phi Lambda was an Asian American interest sorority founded in New York. The sorority was conceived through the notion of an organization that would provide a culturally sound and educationally inspiring grounding for Asian American women, thus setting the foundations of the sorority's pillars: Sisterhood, Service and Cultural diversity. Sisters of Kappa Phi Lambda wore their letters proudly and were committed to promoting cultural diversity. Their national philanthropy was the Pacific American Women's Forum (NAPAWF) and they encouraged sisters to tackle issues such as domestic violence, human trafficking and immigration rights. Sisters of Kappa Phi Lambda were very involved on GW's campus.

"Sisterhood, Service and Cultural Diversity."

IFC Rush

The two-week search for a brotherhood

IFC rush was a way for the men of GW to seek out their own Greek life experience. Any men interested in joining a fraternity were invited to visit any and all of the fraternity chapters on campus. This process was two weeks, taking place at the end of September and into October. Men were encouraged to explore all of the IFC chapters and each chapter hosted around four to five events, giving potential members a chance to get to know existing brothers. The first few events that each fraternity hosted were open and casual, welcoming all men interested in joining Greek life. These events ranged from Delta Tau Delta's BBQ in Anniversary Park and enjoying Wingo's at the Alumni house with Beta Theta Pi. Some events are known as traditions, such as Tau Kappa Epsilon's "car bash" where men were invited to smash a car with hammers. As the week progressed, the men going through rush got a better feel for the chapters that they felt comfortable in. The chapters also met men they thought would be good additions to their brotherhood. Throughout the week, the men rushing chose where they felt comfortable and devoted their time and energy to furthering their chances of joining the fraternity of their choice. Towards the end of the week, rush events became invite-only. These events included a more selective group of men and included meeting at the Colonials Club to Morton's Steakhouse. At the end of the process, after brothers deliberated, each chapter extended bids to the men who they believed would be assets their chapter. Fraternities were not limited to the number of new members that can join their chapter. The IFC prided themselves on being an active community and being involved in all aspects on campus. They were excited to welcome more than 300 men after rush.

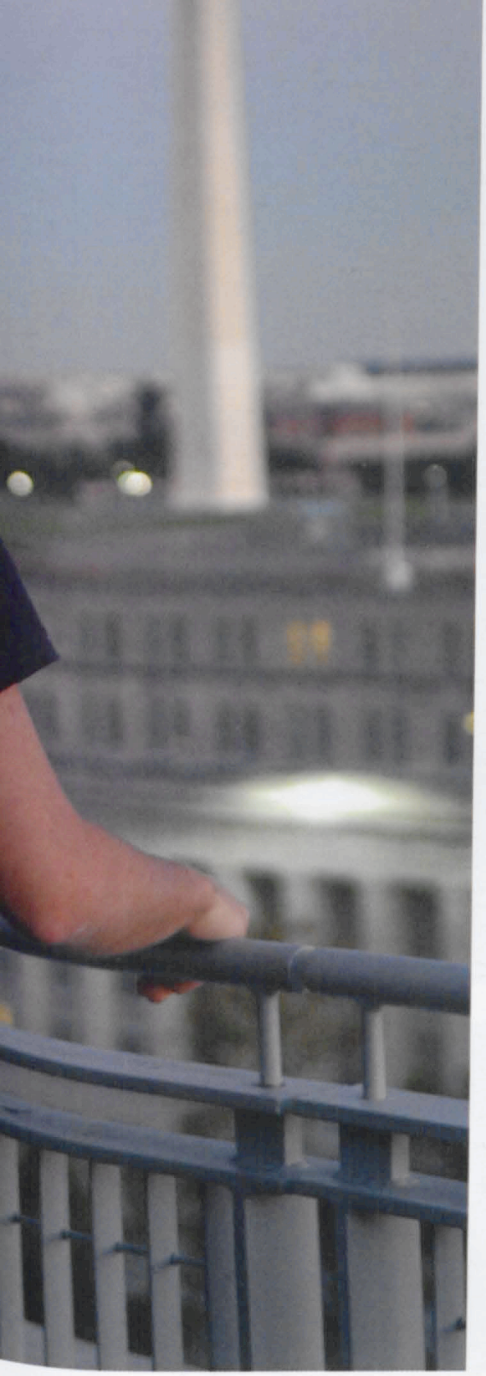


ΚΣ Kappa Sigma



Kappa Sigma played a major role in the Inter-Fraternity Council and GW Greek Life as a whole. Their goal was to provide for a better community and develop brothers into true Kappa Sigma men. Through their devotion to philanthropy and fun, they certainly did this. The brothers of Kappa Sigma in conjunction with the Aida Hyde Foundation pledged to shave their heads in solidarity with those who typically lose hair because of radiation therapy when battling cancer. Kappa Sigmas were also found attending many sororities' philanthropy events, including Kappa Kickball where they were the champions. Brothers had a lot of fun at their Semi-Formal in the fall and Formal in the spring. Kappa Sigs had a great year!

"Fellowship, leadership, scholarship, service."



Character Snapshot



"Rush was such a great way to get to know all the men of GW Greek life. I enjoyed going through rush because it was a no pressure way to make a decision that would last a lifetime. Joining a fraternity was really important to me and I'm so thankful I went through rush."

—Billy Hinman, Delta Tau Delta







ΣΦΕ Sigma Phi Epsilon



Sigma Phi Epsilon was one of the largest fraternities on GW's campus. Brothers were leaders of GW's Emergency Medical Response Group, ROTC, NROTC, Alternative breaks, the GW Hatchet and many more organizations. During SigEp's Philanthropy event, "Sweetheart Week" sororities competed in a skit night and field day events to raise money for youth AIDS. In the fall, brothers walked in the Walk to End Alzheimer's. SigEp was very socially active, hosting many mixers and events for the different sororities on campus. Sigma Phi Epsilon continued their tradition of being a powerhouse fraternity.

"Virtue, diligence and brotherly love."

Panhellenic Recruitment

The four-day search for a sisterhood

Over 600 women participated in formal recruitment last October. Recruitment was a four-day long period in which potential new members (PNMs) visited each of the eleven sorority chapters. While visiting each chapter, PNMs conversed with sisters, watched videos and even did arts and crafts for various philanthropies. Recruitment was a mutually selective process, where PNMs ranked the sororities they had a connection with while each chapter selected PNMs that would be an asset to their sorority. PNMs anxiously lined up outside each chapter's room and when the doors swung open they were greeted with loud chants and big smiles. On the first day, "Open Round," PNMs were invited to each of the eleven chapters, including Kappa Delta, which was colonized last year. Open Round was very casual and PNMs only stayed in each chapter for about twenty minutes. The next day, Philanthropy Round, gave chapters an opportunity to share their philanthropic stories and events with PNMs. Potential new members could visit up to eight chapters during Philanthropy round. The third day, Invitational Round, which had 5 rounds, was centered around sororities' social events and usually included a fun slideshow or video. On the last night, Preference Round, PNMs had the opportunity visit three different sororities' event, with the hopes of finding a home. Preference Round was known as the night where PNMs usually make deep connections with sisters. At the end of the night, PNMs ranked their favorite sorority in hopes of receiving a bid the next day. Recruitment proved to be a great way for women on campus to expand their horizons and join an organization that fit their needs.





XO Chi Omega



Chi Omegas were known on campus as being extremely involved around the GW campus. Chi Os could be found dancing on Capital Funk, volunteering for Alternative Breaks or participating on Colonial Cabinet or STAR. Chi Omega hosted plenty of fun social events throughout the year, some favorites including Owlween (a Halloween date party) and Chi Glow (a neon themed date party in the spring). Their national philanthropy was Make-A-Wish and they hosted two events to raise money. In the fall, Swishes for Wishes was a chance for fraternities to participate in a basketball tournament to raise money for Make-A-Wish. Chi Omegas had a great time living with their sisters in Strong Hall and bonding with each other on the beautiful rooftop.

"Hellenic culture, Christian ideals."



Photo by Sandra Moynihan





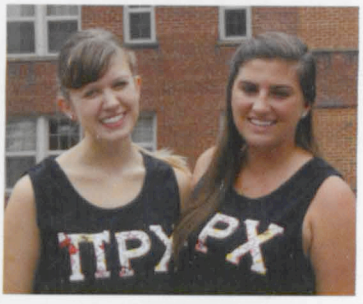
Character Snapshot



"Recruitment was a really fun experience. I got to know so many women and it made me realize how much I love Greek life at GW. It was a great way to see how united the Panhellenic community was. It was an exhausting weekend but so worth it. I was so happy so many women chose to be bold and go Greek."

—Natacha Massih, Sigma Kappa





ΦΣΣ Phi Sigma Sigma



Since 1924, GW Phi Sigma Sigma has made their mark on campus. They truly lived up to their motto, "Aim High!" by participating in philanthropy work, including volunteering in local soup kitchens and hosting their Sapphire Cup, an annual soccer tournament. All of their proceeds went to the Phi Sigma Sigma foundation. Phi Sigs had a great time at their Semi-Formal in the fall and their Sapphire Ball in the spring. They also co-hosted many socials with numerous fraternities, including their favorite "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Frattiness." Sisters incorporated the city of D.C. into almost everything they did, from visiting monuments to the Smithsonian Museums. Phi Sigma Sigmas had a lot of fun in the city!

"Aim high."

Greek Student Leaders

Members of the Greek community led Colonial Inaguration



Tony Kim & Emily Baum

Emma Sakson



At GW, I was lucky enough to be involved with some great organizations. I'm a sister of Pi Beta Phi, president of GW Invisible Children, Deputy Chief of Staff in the Student Association, a peer advisor in the Elliott School, a member of Order of Omega and an interviewer with the Senior Interviewer Program. I was also a member of the 2011 Colonial Cabinet (Love to Cab Once). Greek Life had a significant impact on my time at GW. Through Pi Phi, I was encouraged to set high goals for myself, give back to the community that has given me so much and take advantage of all that GW had to offer. Greek Life has gave me my best friends, a place to call home on campus and a network of incredible people--my Pi Phi sisters, especially--who have been there through it all.



Our names are Tony Kim and Emily Baum, and we served as the two student directors (also known as CIHQ) for the Colonial Inauguration program. A brief compendium about our position: Alongside the administrators, we managed the selection of the Colonial Cabinet (the student orientation leaders), the training of the Colonial Cabinet and the programming at the Colonial Inauguration sessions all in an effort to serve the incoming students (freshmen, international, and transfers) so that they could become accustomed to the GW culture.

We believed that Greek life had a tremendous impact on my position as CIHQ for 3 main reasons, which we will refer to as the 3 Cs.

1: Confidence - Being in a community of fellow leaders who were proud to be in their respective Greek organizations, to perform at various skits and to compete in intramurals gave us the confidence to effectively take on such a demanding position.

2: Connections - The Greek community itself had enabled us to become much more attentive to the events happening on campus. The Greek community had exclusive speaker series (i.e. TFA & Sexual Assault) which had opened many doors for my our personal and professional development.

3: Culture - The focus of our position was around helping the incoming students get adjusted to the culture here at GW, while helping them to make changes to it as well. Being part of a Greek organization had, more than anything else, helped us to understand the GW culture. This understanding and cognizance is what, inevitably, enabled us todo our job, but drove us to want to do our job as well."

Stella Ju

When I first got to GW, I told myself to get involved and make the most out of the next four years. For two years, I worked with GW's Jumpstart program and had the chance to explore areas of D.C. outside of Foggy Bottom. On campus, I worked on the Colonial Cabinet for CI, and continued my involvement with the program by working with the student leadership team for CI 2013. I also served on the executive board of my Panhellenic chapter in 2012 and servedas 2013 VP Finance for the Panhellenic Association.

Though the different organizations that I had been involved with have varied, Greek life has been a large part of my GW experience. The culture of GW's Greek life was unique because it fosterd leadership and encouraged students to be active young leaders. From my involvement in Greek life and all of the inspiring people that I had met, I learned valuable skills that helped me grow both personally and professionally. What were most important to me are the friendships that I've made through my Greek life experience. Being Greek gave me sisterhood, leadership and lifelong friendships.



Panhellenic Bid Day

The day PNMs were welcomed to their new sisterhood









Character Snapshot



"Bid day was fantastic, there was just so much energy literally pouring out of every SDT sister and nothing else could have gotten me more excited to pledge. I met a lot of fantastic people that day, both in my pledge class and sisters."

—Lottie Ash, Sigma Delta Tau



ΑΕΦ Alpha Epsilon Phi



AEPhis had a great time last year around campus and in D.C. Sisters were involved with many clubs and activities on campus including Challah for Hunger, various a capella groups and interning on Capitol Hill. AEPhi's bonded a lot last year through their annual Valentine's Day Party to sisterhood dinners in their townhouse. Sisters loved attending mixers with fraternities as well as their formal and semi-formal. AEPhi's had a great time living together on the top floors of International House. Their national philanthropies were Sharsheret, an organization devoted to breast cancer awareness, and the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDSs foundation. Their two philanthropy events, Flag Football and Phi Hoops, were dedicated to raising money for their philanthropies.

"Many hearts, one purpose."





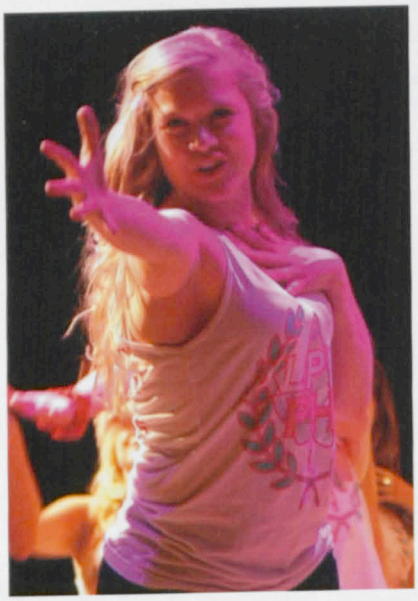
Bid day for the Panhellenic community truly was a day filled with excitement. After four days of formal recruitment and ranking their favorite sorority the night before, potential new members anxiously waited in line to pick up their bids- a formal invitation to join a sorority. Once the PNM picked up her bid, she either accepted it, meaning she would join that sisterhood, or rejected it, meaning she would not join. "Picking up my bid was one of the most exciting moments of freshman year. I was so nervous but it was such a great feeling when I opened the envelope," said Julia Cranksa, sister of Alpha Delta Pi. It was a day to welcome all the new members into Greek life. After a long weekend of hard work, Bid Day was a day of celebration and rejoicing. It was hard to be on campus and not hear the various sororities chanting and screaming as they eagerly awaited the arrival of their chapter's new members. University Yard was filled with neon t-shirts, balloons, sunglasses and customized posters galore! Once the potential new members received their bids they sprinted to U-Yard where their new sisters awaited them. After unending embraces and screams, it was time for the Panhellenic team and the Pi Rho Chis (temporarily disaffiliated members) to reveal their chapter affiliation. Once the re-affiliated members reunited with their sisters, each chapter left U-Yard and held a special welcoming event. Whether it was a boat cruise or dessert at the Melting Pot, new members and sisters spent the night getting to know one another. Bid day lived up to its reputation as one of the most anticipated days of the year.

ΠΒΦ Pi Beta Phi

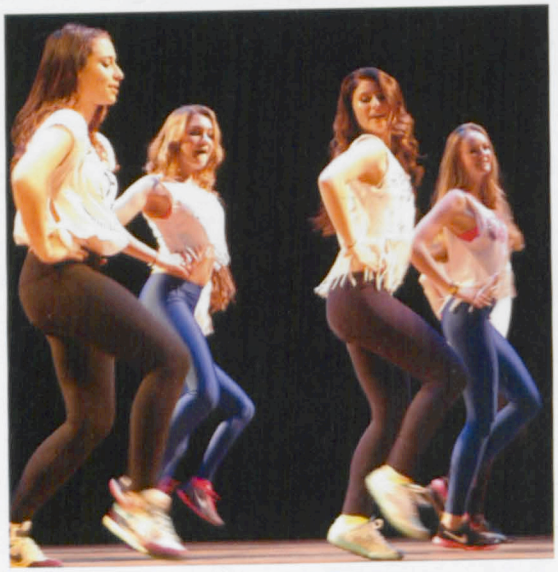


Pi Phis committed to being the best women they could be. They were involved in many types of groups at GW including Colonial Inauguration, House Staff, College Republicans, College Democrats and Camp Kesem. Pi Phi's attended their annual Spring Retreat and competed against each other in a field day, which included events like egg toast, shaving balloons and a sister trivia contest. One of the Pi Phi favorite events was the "Around the World" dinner in Strong Hall where sisters who returned from being abroad cooked dinner. Pi Beta Phi's national philanthropy was literacy. In the fall they hosted a Pi Beta 5k for literacy during parents' weekend and in the spring they hosted a wiffle ball tournament to raise money for their philanthropy. Pi Phi was proud to call D.C. and GW their home!
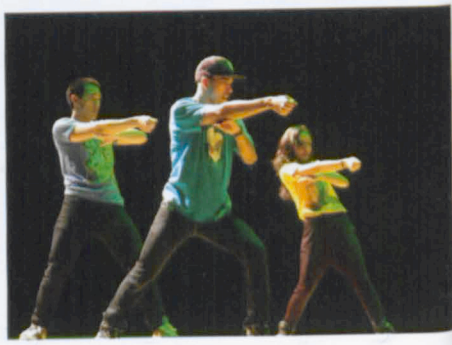
"Leading with values."









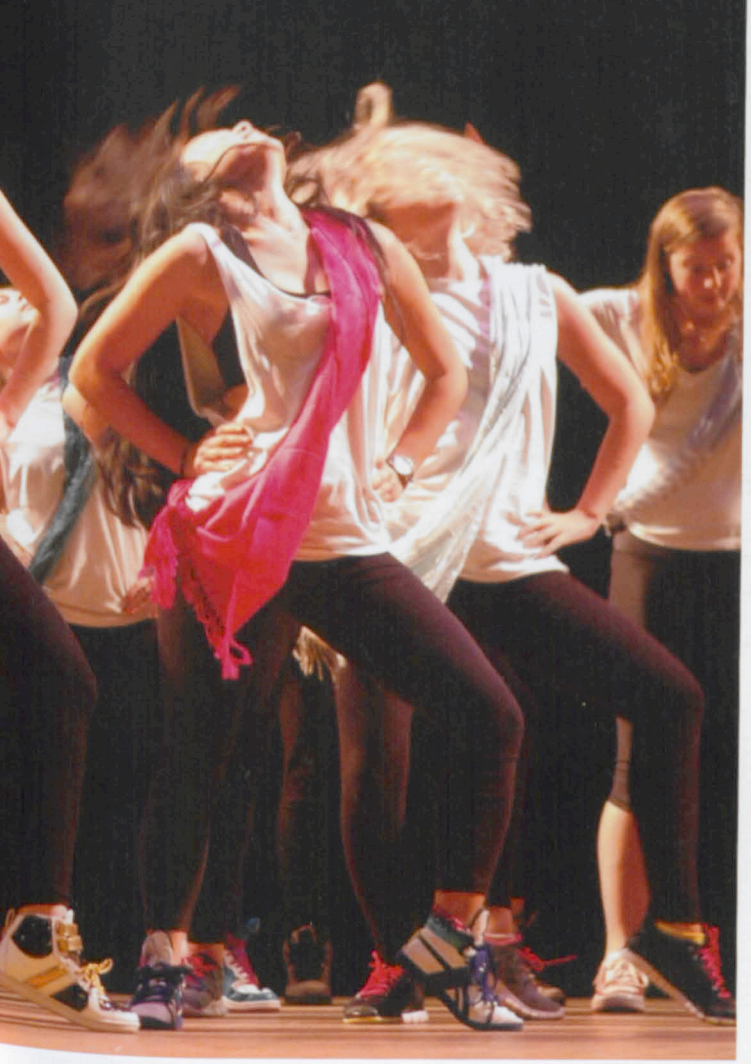


ΣΨΖ Sigma Psi Zeta



Sigma Psi Zeta was a multicultural, Asian American interest sorority that was the largest in the Multicultural Greek Council. They were the first Asian American interest sorority to be established on the East Coast, and at GW they took pride in their diversity, professionalism and leadership. As sisters, they strived to achieve the best through recognizing that they could unify their differences--whether it was race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or socioeconomic background--through the letters they represented.

"True to the colors red and gold, sisters forever heart and soul."



Greek Week

"May The Gods Be Ever In Your Favor"

Greek week was the epitome of Greek Life at GW. It was a week in October when the Inter-Fraternity Council, the Panhellenic Community, and The Multicultural Greek Council were combined into teams to compete against each other. The theme was Greek Gods, and there were 10 teams participating, each team with different chapters from each association. The 10 teams were assigned Gods, such as Athena or Hedes. The week was filled with different competitions that the teams participated in with hopes of earning the most points. To kick off the week, members of various team members visited Teach for America classrooms for the TFA service day. Chapter members helped out teachers with their lesson plans, served as reading buddies and answered questions related to college. The next day there was a Greek merchandise fair which was the perfect way for different chapters to stock up on Greek gear. Following the merchandise fair was Skit night, arguably the most exciting event, where each team performed a skit in Lisner Auditorium. The room was filled with screams and chants for all the different teams. Skits included dances, acting, singing and even chapter members being thrown up in the air. Team Artemis (Phi Sigma Sigma, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Sigma Kappa Alpha Phi Alpha) won skit night with a jungle-themed dance. As part of Greek Week, the Greek Community had the opportunity to listen to a speech given by TFA CEO Wendy Kopp, which was an honor. The next day, teams joined together to make canned sculptures, which ultimately were donated to charity. Greek Week came to a close with a toga contest and Greek Games in U-Yard. In the end, Team Hades (Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Kappa Psi, Kappa Alpha, Pi Delta Psi) came out victorious.

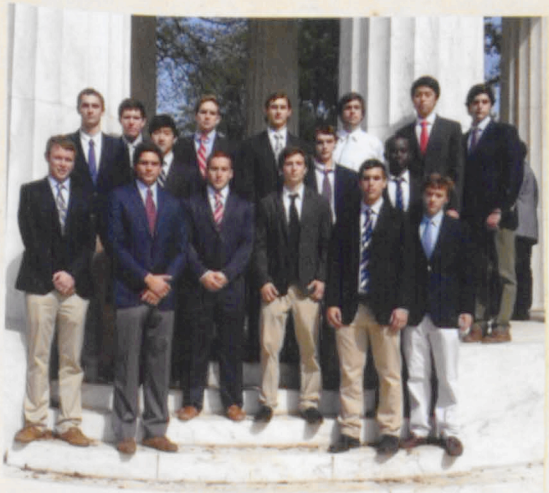
Character Snapshot



"Of all of the events, skit night was my favorite! Watching SDT perform made me proud of my sorority! As fun as rehearsing with the guys was, it was a lot of work putting everything together."

—Sarah Reback, Sigma Delta Tau

ΦΚΨ Phi Kappa Psi



Phi Psi, as winners of Greek Week 2012, strived for excellence. They were established under the principle of learning to "appreciate the great joy of serving others." Phi Psi was very active in community service and philanthropic fundraising.

Phi Psi brothers were very socially active, from attending sorority mixers and date mixers to boat cruises and field days. Their formal in the spring certainly ended the semester on a high point. Phi Psis are also known to participate in the Pikus Cup, a fierce sports competition with other fraternities that lasts the whole year. Phi Kappa Psi was a brotherhood of honorable and courteous men.

"United by friendship, sustained by honor, and led by truth. We live and flourish."



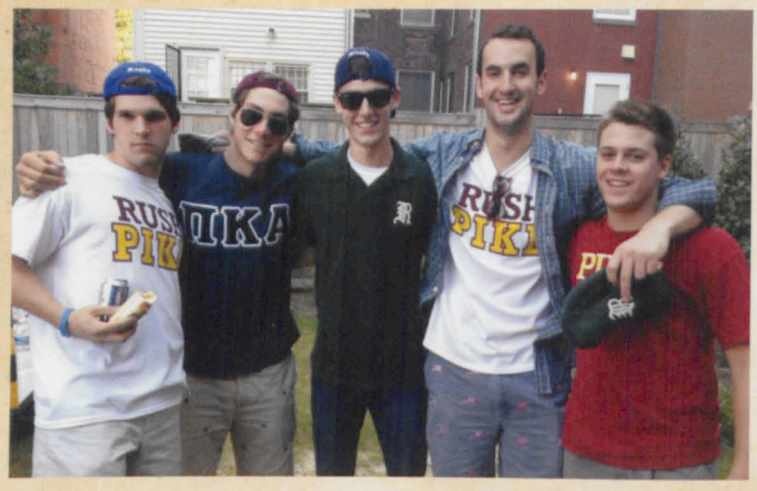
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"IFC represents all of the fraternities on campus coming together and governing themselves while working towards the common goal of making GW a better place to be for everyone. Fraternities are the largest philanthropic organizations on campus, and through IFC, they are better able to communicate and learn from one another."
—Justin Hyde, Kappa Sigma



ΠΚΑ Pi Kappa Alpha



On campus, Pi Kappa Alpha maintained the largest chapter size, best athletics records, a top chapter GPA and a dynamic social calendar. PIKE brothers could be found contributing to local charities through fundraising events, such as the PIKE Fireman's challenge. This past year, the men of Pi Kappa Alpha raised over $65,000 for their philanthropy, the D.C. Firefighter's Burn Foundation. Brothers were very involved on campus, from Colonial Cabinet to varsity athletes. PIKE's chapter was composed of ambitious men motivated to face all challenges and conquer any obstacles

"Once a pike, always a pike."

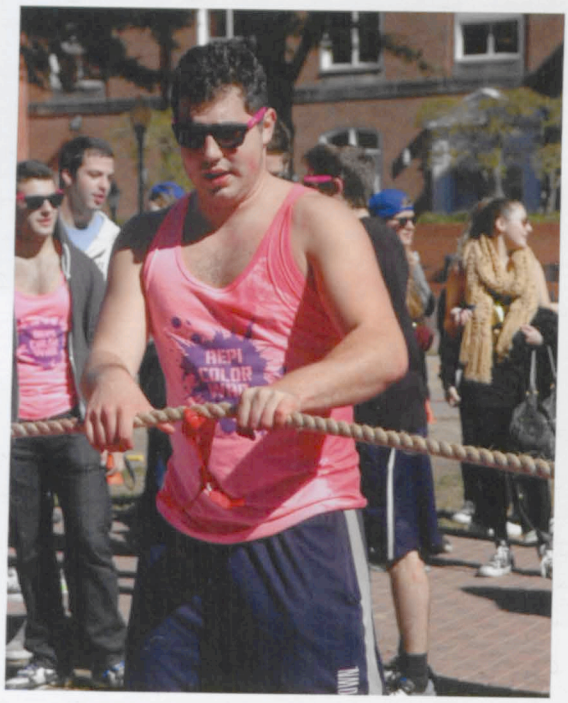


The IFC

The Inter-Fraternity Council

The Inter-Fraternity Council (the IFC) was charged with the duty of promoting fraternity life and providing a forum for the discussion of issues that affect fraternities and over 900 members. Since 1856, fraternities at GW have come together under the common bond of brotherhood to improve campus life and GW's surrounding neighborhood. The IFC was composed of the executive board and the presidents' council. There were 17 chapters under the IFC, each with different histories, distinguishing characteristics, members and personalities, yet they share the central tenets of all fraternal organizations: scholarship, leadership, service and brotherhood. The IFC participated in many community-wide events throughout the year.







TKE Tau Kappa Epsilon



Tau Kappa Epsilon was a fraternity filled with a solid brotherhood. The chapter was the longest continuous standing fraternity on GW's campus and longest running TKE chapter nationally. TKEs always were seen outside their house on 22nd Street, participating in intramural sports, or kayaking along the Potomac. TKE's symbol, the equilateral triangle, represented the striving toward a full and equal development of mind, body and heart, and it meant much within ranks of their fraternity. The official colors of Tau Kappa Epsilon were cherry and gray. TKE was perhaps most known for their "TKE Car Bash," when the GW community was given the chance to literally bash an old car. This took place during TKE rush. TKE held its members to high standards of brotherhood, academics and philanthropy.

"Not for wealth, rank or honor, but for personal worth and character."

The MGC

Multicultural Greek Council

The Multicultural Greek Council was a combination of historically African-American, Latino, and Asian interest fraternities and sororities. The MGC served to coordinate the activities of its member chapters, promote involvement in Greek life, support the development of individual chapters, enhance cultural awareness and encourage collaboration and communication throughout the Greek Community. It governed all 16 multicultural Greek-letter organizations on campus and the council participates in community service throughout the year. The MGC gives the GW community a chance to celebrate their heritage. The annual MGC Week was jammed pack with fun filled, free events that gave members of GW a chance to socialize with the fraternities and sororities.







AKA Alpha Kappa Alpha



"By merit and culture."

The Mu Delta Chapter at GW houses the first and the finest black sorority. Alpha Kappa Alpha was chartered on March 11, 1978. With many hard working, intelligent, energetic women, Alpha Kappa Alpha was an outstanding chapter. The chapter was involved with an on-going mentoring program with Lucy Diggs Slowe Elementary School as well as many traditions, including Study Fests, which provided new students with a chance to receive help and academic advice from experienced students. Refreshments and entertainment were provided during fifteen-minute breaks. The chapter stayed involved on GW's campus by hosting monthly bake sales and annual penny drives. AKA sponsored various workshops dealing with a wide range of issues, including education, health, economics and the black community. Acknowledged for its outstanding community service, AKA received various awards.



Character Snapsots



"The purpose of Alpha Kappa Alpha was to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of service to all mankind."

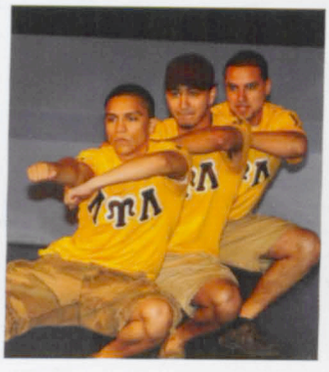
—Nadirah Waites, Alpha Kappa Alpha



"Members of Sigma Psi Zeta describe it as the defining factor of their college experience. Being a member of a multicultural greek sorority truly is a unique experience because of the diverse group of people that it attracts that come together with common goals of sisterhood, activism, professionalism, philanthropy, culture and academics."

–Jordan Gross, Sigma Psi Zeta







ΜΣΥ Mu Sigma Upsilon



Mu Sigma Upsilon was originally founded in 1981 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick. The Roma Chapter at GW was founded in April 2010. As a relatively new sorority to GW's campus, Mu Sigma Upsilon was very involved. Three times per year they hosted a Ladies Night for women interested in learning more about their organization, which was a great way for people to get to know this new sorority. Their national philanthropy was Girls Inc., but this past year they focused on breast cancer awareness and prevention in honor of one of their founding mothers who had been diagnosed with breast cancer. Mu Sigma Upsilon was a group of dedicated women in GW's Greek community.

"Mujeres Siempre Unidas."

The Panhellenic Association



Seeking to provide a fruitful Greek experience

The number of National Panhellenic Conference chapters on campus grew from 10 to 11 this year. Kappa Delta joined the GW community thanks to the diligent efforts of the Panhellenic Association. This group of eight women, led by Panhellenic President Marta Cofone, governed the 11 NPC chapters and created innovative programming for more than 1,500 women. Their responsibilities included event planning for the Month of Sisterly Love and Greek Week, as well as planning Formal Recruitment in the fall. Unlike previous years, they were responsible for selecting a new chapter to colonize on campus and ensuring that Kappa Delta was welcomed to campus. "We were extremely excited to have Kappa Delta join our Panhellenic community and were ecstatic by the amount of support we received from the organizations on campus with this decision," Cofone reflected.





ΑΔΠ Alpha Delta Pi



Alpha Delta Pi was a prominent chapter in the Panhellenic community. With the highest GPA on campus and their enthusiasm for philanthropy and extracurricular activities, ADPi's motivating spirit was known on campus. They hosted two week-long philanthropy events for the Ronald McDonald house. ADPi was the largest chapter on campus with over 160 girls. This past year, Alpha Delta Pi won the Sorority Intramural Cup and Greek Week and sisters also obtained positions on Colonial Cabinet and in prestigious internships around D.C. They also hosted a number of social events, from their Barbie party to their formal at the Willard Hotel. The women of Alpha Delta Pi had a strong sisterhood and were proud to throw up their diamonds!

"We live for each other."





Character Snapshot



"The Panhellenic community is really strong on GW's campus. It's continued to rise throughout the past few years. All the chapters are so strong and it's a great way to find community at GW. I know I found my know within the Panhellenic community."
—Johanna Lowell, Alpha Epsilon Phi







ΣK Sigma Kappa



The sisters of the Zeta Chapter of Sigma Kappa were constantly making memories and exploring the wonderful city of D.C. SK loved to give back to their community, from walking in the Alzheimer's Walk to volunteering at D.C. Central Kitchen. SK raised money for Alzheimer's research through UV Days, which was a week-long event when the various fraternities on campus participate to raise money for Alzheimer's Research. Sigma Kappas also hosted many social events, one of their favorites being "Tacky Prom," where sisters sported their tackiest clothes. Senior Prom was a fun social event hosted at a nearby nursing home, where sisters have a great time getting to know each other and members of the D.C. community. Sigma Kappa had such a strong bond! One heart one way!

"One heart, one way."

Winter Intramurals

Fraternities and sororities competed in winter games



Winter intramurals on campus provided recreation and friendly competition among fraternities and sororities. Each chapter had a team that competed to gain the most points to win Pikus Cup or Sorority Cup. The Sorority Cup and Pikus Cup were created to give social Greek organizations the opportunity to compete for a championship against one another in intramural sports competition. The fraternity and sorority divisions competed throughout the year to hold the title of cup winners. Intramural sports for the winter season included arena football, volleyball and basketball, among others. The intramural sports program provided Greek members the opportunity to learn the value of teamwork through competitions. "Sorority intramurals have been such an asset to my college career. They have helped me to further get to know my sisters as well as girls from other chapters. I have loved my time spent in Greek Intramurals!" said Kate Lenihan, an active winter intramural sports enthusiast. Intramurals were held in the Lerner Health and Wellness Center until the end of February.





ΠΚΦ Pi Kappa Phi



"Nothing Shall Ever Tear Us Asunder."

Despite being a relatively new chapter, Pi Kapp had over 115 members and was of the largest fraternities on campus. The fraternity was founded on the premise of creating and growing leaders. Pi Kapp brothers exemplified leadership in the classroom, on the athletic field, in student organizations, and within the D.C. community. Pi Kapp was exceptionally proud of the work their chapter has done for their philanthropy, Push America. Push America's purpose was to enhance the quality of life for people with disabilities and to instill a lifelong commitment to service in its members. The chapter raised money for Push America during two events, War of the Roses week and the End the R Word Concert. Individual brothers also raised money for Push America by participating in Journey of Hope. "I love that although Pi Kapp is large and extremely diverse, we are still an exceptionally close knit group of brothers" President, Trey O'Callaghan stated.



Character Snapshot



"I loved winter intramurals because they spiced up my life on cold winter days when all I wanted to do was hide under the covers. A little competition in basketball, volleyball and arena football went a long way towards motivating me and my friends to stay active despite the harsh outdoor conditions."

—Zoe Valentine, Alpha Delta Pi





ΔΓ Delta Gamma



The Beta Rho chapter of Delta Gamma was founded at GW on Oct. 6, 1945. Delta Gamma's motto was to "do good" in all aspects of collegiate and extra-curricular lives and to provide a sincere culture of sisterhood and friendship that will go beyond the college years. Delta Gamma's national philanthropy was Service for Sight, an organization that provided aid and funding for the blind and visually impaired. Anchorbowl was Beta Rho's annual philanthropy week; and the chapter was proud to say that in 2012 they raised over $22,000 for Service for Sight. "Delta Gamma was my own home away from home, my second family of creative, enthusiastic and inspiring women, and my support system that will be everlasting" President Maike Ravesteijn said.

"Do Good."

Spring Philanthropy

Alpha Phi Heart Week and Sigma Delta Tau Battle of the Torch









Character Snapshot

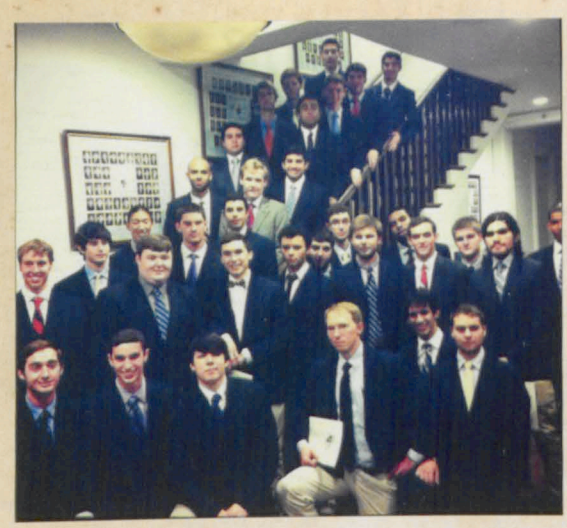


"I loved Battle for the Torch Week! Especially seeing the boys show off how smart they are at trivia and how much they could eat at the dine out night!"

—Chelsey Weatherford, Sigma Delta Tau



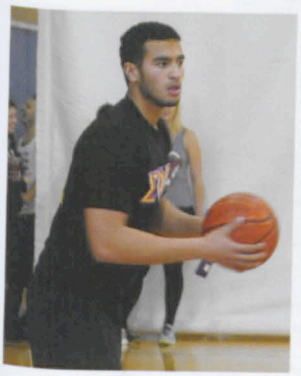
ΔΤΔ Delta Tau Delta



Delta Tau Delta was founded in 1858 at Bethany College as a secret Greek Letter society, so that the eight founders would be able to practice subjects and extracurricular activities not present at their university. Delt's around the country live by our phrase: "Committed to Lives of Excellence." This was sustained through Delt's 4 core values: Truth, Courage, Faith and Power. The fraternity set a foundation through its principals, values and creed that allowed four brothers to find and lead their own lives of excellence. "Delt has given me innumerable opportunities to improve myself as a person, and become the man I wanted to be. In my short time in the fraternity I have made life-long friends, established a great network in my professional life and honed leadership and communication skills that I could not have done elsewhere. Delt helped me find myself as a person and I can truthfully say, joining the fraternity was the best decision I made in my college career thus far," President Andrew Avitabile stated.

"Committed to lives of excellence."







In February, Alpha Phi held their annual Heart Week. Alpha Phi hoped their events over the course of the week would help raise awareness of heart disease on campus, as well as provide a fun opportunity for all of Greek Life to come together to raise money for the fight against heart disease. Heart Week raised money for the Alpha Phi Foundation, which directly contributed to grants for cardiac care and disease research. Some of the week's events included valentine making at the Alpha Phi townhouse, an American Red Cross blood drive and the Hoops for Hearts basketball tournament. The chapter also held the "King of Hearts" party that was open to the entire GW community and consisted of music, dancing and the annual King of Hearts competition. The gentlemen who participated in Heart Week competed to win the hearts (and bead necklaces) of Alpha Phi through smooth moves, charming words and great dance skills. At the end of the night, the man with the most necklaces was crowned King of Hearts.

"With the large amount of fraternity participation, Heart Week was an incredible opportunity to increase the visibility of our philanthropic cause, women's cardiac care, on campus," Emilie Frank said. "We were also able to give back to organizations such as the Red Cross through our blood drive and local hospitals with our valentine making for cardiac patients. From our Dating Game to Hoops for Hearts, every event was not only a great time for bonding with both fraternities and other sororities on campus, but made giving back to the community was a whole lot of fun. Because what fraternity guy didn't want to be crowned our King of Hearts?"

Also in February, Sigma Delta Tau had their spring philanthropy, Battle of the Torch. The week-long events fundraised money and awareness for the chapter's national philanthropy: Prevent Child Abuse America. SigDelt Speed Dating was one of the most popular events during the week. The entire GW community was invited and Panhellenic, IFC and MGC chapters participated to find their sweetheart. Other events included making candy bags for children in shelters, dine out night at Jetties that was cosponsored with Kappa Delta and dodge ball. SDT was proud to have raised over $3,000 for Prevent Child Abuse America during Battle of the Torch.

ΚΚΓ Kappa Kappa Gamma



"Aspire to Be."

Kappa Kappa Gamma was founded at GW in 1921 and was officially recognized in 1929. Kappa was the longest standing sorority here at GW. The chapter's philanthropy was Reading is Fundamental, a children's literacy organization based in DC. Kappa's two philanthropy events were Kappa Kickball in the fall and Reading is Key in the spring. Reading is Key was the chapter's favorite event because all the sisters went to a local Boys and Girls Club and spent an afternoon volunteering there. Kappa held a book drive before and every child went home with a book. Kappa was a place where everyone could aspire to make a difference, and the chapter encouraged everyone to do and be their best. "I loved Kappa because of the diversity our chapter here at GW. The love and support of Kappa was truly unfounded," President Margeaux Abrams stated.



Emily Rasowsky

GW Students Against Sexual Assault was a student-run sexual assault advocacy organization on campus. GW SASA worked to bring awareness and resources to the student body though peer education, awareness events and communications/PR. As the President and Founder of GW SASA, I had the opportunity to create unique programming, such as our annual Take Back the Night events in the spring as well as GW SASA's Annual Awareness Campaign in the fall. As a member of the Greek community, one of my main goals was to combine my commitment to sexual assault education and with my Greek Life affiliation. Working with different multicultural, Panhellenic and IFC chapters at GW throughout all of our programming, Greek Life played an integral role in our outreach. In the past four years since our creation, GW SASA has co-sponsored with over 120 Greek organizations something that has allowed our impact to reach new proportions. My role in Greek like was essential for the growth of SASA and the engagement of the GW community in our programming. Each Greek organization we have worked with was supportive and proactive towards spreading sexual violence awareness and bringing an end to rape culture on GW's Campus."



Greek Student Leaders

Members of the Greek community led various organizations around campus

Ben Klein



Being a brother of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity offered me the opportunity to learn about my own strengths and weaknesses, as well as hold positions in which I was responsible for myself and the well-being of my brothers. My GW experience would not have been the same without serving for two years as Program Board's Concerts Chairman, a position that I dreamt of attaining even prior to being a GWU student. I loved organizing events for the GW community and seeing the culmination of my work come together in front of my peers. I was on the Entertainment Committee for GW's Inaugural Ball, which was a position that I would always cherish. I also was a member of the Senior Class Gift Committee, which was a campaign that I was excited to be a part of. I would not have been able to accomplish so much in my time at GW if not for my fraternity's support. I was grateful for everything that my brothers taught me and the opportunities that Pi Kappa Alpha presented me

Hardy Farrow



I was a member of Sigma Chi and also served as our Vice President. I also served as Chief of Staff for the Student Association. Also, I worked for Teach for America as a recruiter on campus for over four years and I focused on the Greek community for the most part. Over the past year, I set up a 1,000-hour service challenge for Greeks to serve in Teach for America classrooms and I organized a 900-person event for Greek Week in which the CEO of Teach for America spoke about educational inequity.

Greek life allowed me to not only grow as an individual but also as a member of the broader GW community. I made countless friends and experienced true brotherhood. I wouldn't trade my experience in Sigma Chi for anything and I was very proud to be part of Greek life here at GW.. Ultimately, Greek life allowed for individuals to express themselves and also mature in not only a social fashion but also in a professional manner."



The George Washington University Panhellenic Association represented 27% of the undergraduate female population. The Panhellenic Association worked to further sorority life at GW. The governing board represented the 11 chapters on campus and provided a foundation for sorority life, a communication line between chapters, and resources to all of the sororities. The 2013 Panhellenic Executive Board included the President and seven vice presidents. Executive Board applications were distributed to all chapters in early October. Interested chapter members were encouraged to attend the weekly Panhellenic Delegate meeting for a "Meet the Candidates" portion. The 2012 Executive Board then interviewed each applicant. The slate was presented to the Panhellenic Delegates on November 14, 2012 and was approved on November 28, 2012. The Executive Board was then transitioned and officially installed on December 5, 2012. The 2013 GW Panhellenic Association President was Rachael Abram, the Executive Vice President was Lally Marino, the Vice President of Recruitment was Kasey

ΣΔT Sigma Delta Tau



Sigma Delta Tau was founded at Cornell in 1917. SDT's colors were cafe au lait and old blue and their mascot was a teddy bear. At GW SDT had grown and developed into a stronger chapter each year on campus. The sorority last year had the opportunity to move into a brand new house on F Street. They also had sisters that lived in International House. SDT had 157 sisters in their chapter. SDT had several philanthropies, but their main one was Prevent Child Abuse America. They raised money and awareness through two large community events, SidDelt Soccer and SigDelt Speed Dating/Battle of the Torch. The chapter also held smaller events that included bake sales, community service opportunities and created a pinwheel garden last year. SDT also participated in Relay for Life and other events on campus.

"One hope of many people."



The Panhel Board

Packer, the Vice President of Standards was Catherine Sangster, the Vice President of Finance was Stella Ju, the Vice President of Programming was Julia Accetta, the Vice President of Community Relations was Emily Davol, and the Vice President of Marketing and Public Relations was Maureen Quinn. Six different chapters represented the face of the new board. These eight women disaffiliated from their chapters after Commencement in May and they would re-affiliate with their individual chapters after Recruitment 2013. The Panhellenic Association governing board provided fun and informational programming to the Greek community in 2013. A few popular events included the Greek Basketball Game and the GW Greek Charity Ball.

Character Snapshots



"Greek life has been the cornerstone of my GW experience. As Panhellenic President, I hoped to achieve stronger Panhellenic sisterhood, more strategic and effective programming, and a better relationship between Panhel, IFC and MGC."

—Rachael Abram



"As Vice President of Recruitment I was thrilled to be a part of such a pivotal year for GW. When the University reestablished their image, the Panhellenic Association seized the opportunity to reexamine and embrace new opportunities for Greek involvement on campus."

—Kasey Packer

ΖΦΒ Zeta Phi Beta

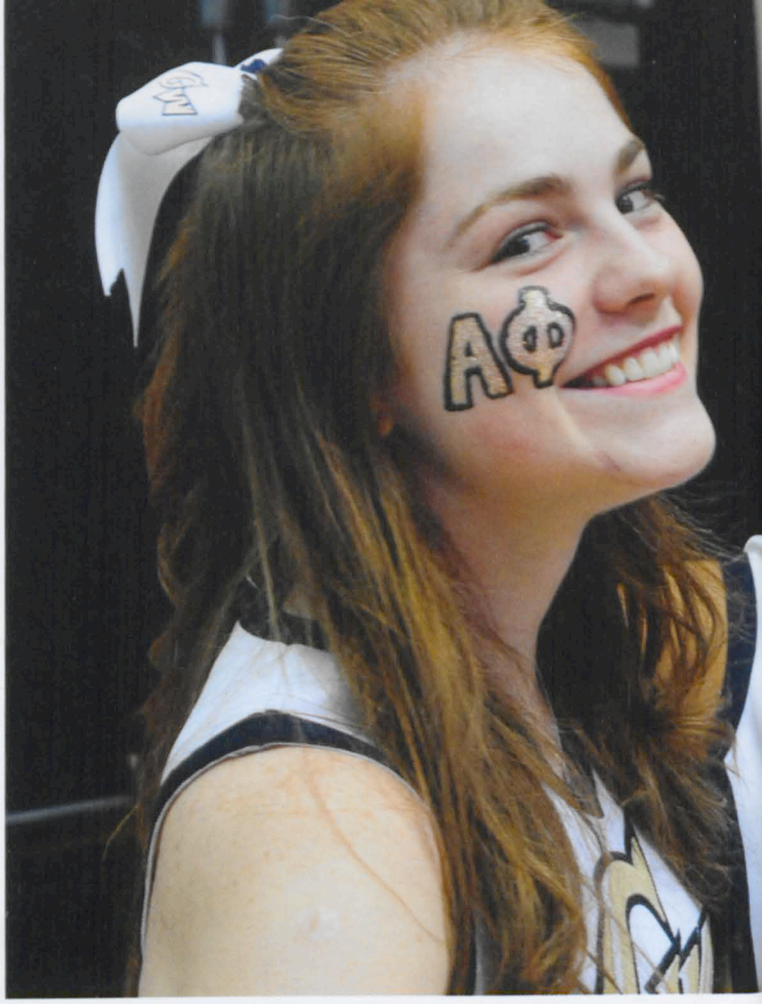


The Xi Sigma Chapter was chartered at the George Washington University on Jan. 28, 2006. The chapter lives by the principles of scholarship, service, sisterly love and finer womanhood. The motto of "an action-oriented organization" bound each sister together. Zeta was the third historically black sorority to have chartered a chapter on campus. "Even though we were not the first, we were a sorority of firsts," sisters proudly said. At GW, the Xi Sigma Chapter had four members with intentions of expansion for the future. Zeta was a service-based organization with hundreds of philanthropic affiliations. The chapters' primary philanthropic thrust was aimed towards the March of Dimes. The sorority also participated in the AIDS, breast cancer and homelessness walks. Members also volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House, a number of elderly homes and with local youth.

"Scholarship, Sisterly Love, Service, Finer Womanhood."

Greek Game

GW Greek Community Raised High



The Greek community held the annual Greek basketball game on March 2, 2013. To encourage chapter members to attend the game the Panhellenic Association and Inter-fraternity Council had a 30 second spirit video contest. Panhel, IFC, and MGC chapters were split up into 11 teams that competed against one another in a friendly competition. These teams made GW Greek spirit videos that ranged from everything from the Harlem Shake to flash mobs on the National Mall. At half time the top three videos were displayed on the jumbo-tron where the audience cheered for their favorite. Kappa Delta, Zeta Beta Tau, Kappa Alpha, and Alpha Kappa Alpha won the best spirit video! Also during half time there was a 5 on 5 basketball scrimmage with a representative from each chapter. Points were awarded for team attendance, a spirit banner completion, and whether or not the video was placed into the top three. The winners received custom Greek accessories! To start off the basketball game there was a barbeque and a tailgate behind Townhouse Row with free food and refreshments. Chapter members packed the Smith Center dressed in their letters and Greek apparel. Greek members cheered on the Colonials who competed against St. Louis in an action packed game. Before the game was over Alpha Delta Pi was announced as Sorority Cup champions and Pi Kappa Alpha was announced as Pikus Cup champions. The GW Greek basketball game was one of the most crowded games of the season!



ΚΔ Kappa Delta

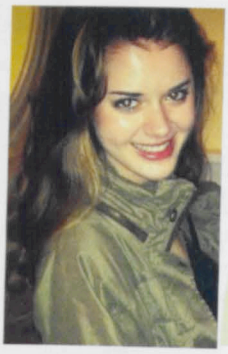


As the newest sorority to the GW Panhellenic community Kappa Delta had already established a sisterhood on par with older chapters on campus. The chapter was officially installed at GW in Feb. 2013. Kappa Delta is a national sorority with nearly 230,000 members. The sisters made great things happen in women's lives, on campuses and in communities across the country. Kappa Delta was committed to providing opportunities and experiences that inspire women to greatness. KD had two national philanthropies that included, Prevent Child Abuse America and Girl Scouts of the USA. The chapter has accepted an alpha and a beta class and looks forward to welcoming new sisters in the future.

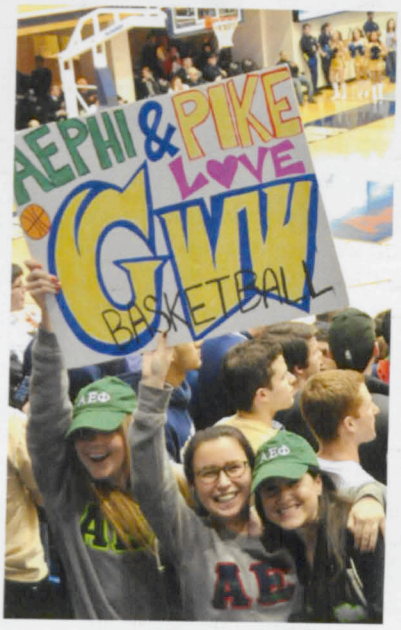
"Let us strive for that which is honorable, beautiful, and highest."



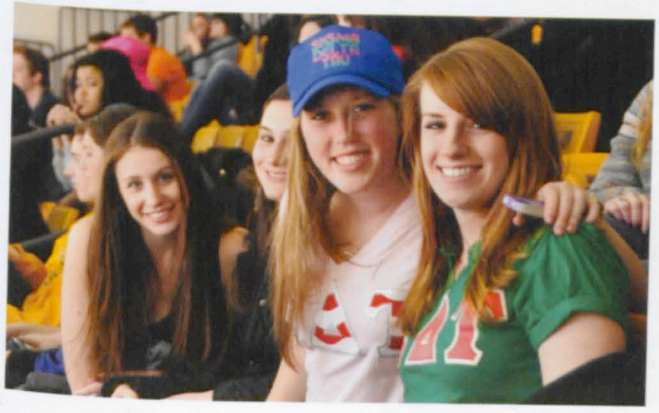
Character Snapshot



""The Greek basketball game was a great way to get the Greek community out to support our basketball team. Our sisters had a great time and we were so proud to be announced Sorority Cup champions at half time."
—Kaitlyn Buchler, Alpha Delta Pi







ΑΕΠ Alpha Epsilon Pi



Alpha Epsilon Pi was colonized at GW in 1948. AEPI was a global Jewish college fraternity, though non-discriminatory and open to all who share the same values. The fraternity was founded to provide opportunities for the Jewish college man seeking a fraternity experience. AEPi's week-long philanthropy was called Color War, where sororities compete in various activities to raise money for charity. Color War was one of the first philanthropic events of the school year and raised funds for over 12 different organizations.

"No one could tell me where my soul might be; I searched for God, but He eluded me; I sought my brother out and found all three."

Month of Sisterly Love

A celebration of Greek women across GW



The Panhellenic community's Month of Sisterly Love was celebrated in March 2013. It was a month-long celebration of Greek women across campus. The theme for the year was "Individually Unique, Together Complete," emphasizing Panhellenic love across campus. Month of Sisterly Love encouraged friendly competition for points and prizes throughout the month based on a percentage of chapter attendance points as well as t-shirt sales and Instagram contest winners. First place winners of Month of Sisterly Love received a catered dinner by Chop't during one night of recruitment. Second place winners enjoyed Cupcakes Baked by Melissa delivered as an after recruitment treat. Third place winners were donated all of the money raised during the Vineyard Vines reception to their chapter's philanthropy. The schedule of events began with International Badge Day – an international celebration of Panhellenic women across the world who commemorated the occasion by wearing their badges. Chapter members, dressed in their pin attire, were invited to the Marvin Center to receive a Panhel goody bag. Throughout Spring Break sisters from each chapter uploaded photos of their sisters to Instagram and other social media using the hash tag #MOSL2013. There were also shopping receptions in Georgetown at Vineyard Vines, Cusp and Wink. Sister Yoga was a 90-minute free yoga class in University Yard that was open to all sorority sisters. The yoga class instructors for the event were Panhellenic women themselves. The last event for the month was a Sisterhood Brunch catered by Chop't in the City View Room. Sorority members dressed in their letters attended the brunches in slots and mingled with other women. Other events included a Greek merchandise fair and a Circle of Sisterhood speaker event.

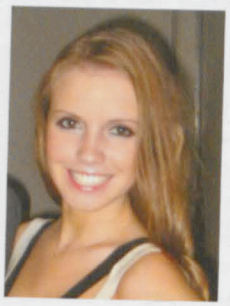
ΛΧΑ Lambda Chi Alpha



The Delta-Xi Chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha was officially colonized at The George Washington University in 1991. Lambda Chi Alpha was one of the largest fraternities in North America. The fraternity was founded on seven core values: loyalty, duty, respect, service and stewardship, honor, integrity and personal courage. Their philanthropy was called Watermelon Bash, in which the brothers did various activities involving watermelon. All proceeds went to the Capital Area Food Bank, USO Metro and the North American Food Drive. For the first time in about five years, they did the Watermelon Bash philanthropy in the spring of 2013.

"Every man a man."

Character Snapshot



"Month of Sisterly Love encouraged friendly competition and spirit among the GW Panhellenic Community. I had so much fun participating with my chapter and getting to know other Panhellenic women!"
—Maureen Quinn, Alpha Delta Pi











ΦΣΚ Phi Sigma Kappa



Founded at GW in 1899, Phi Sigma Kappa was one of GW's oldest fraternities. The fraternity designated the Golden Rule as its motto to further emphasize how much it values conduct that was just and honorable. Under the principles of promoting brotherhood, stimulating scholarship and developing character, Phi Sigma Kappa developed one of the strongest and richest traditions on campus. It was for this reason that so many members were prepared to enter graduate level studies and careers including law, politics, business and many more. Phi Sigma Kappa was very proud and congratulated all of its members that graduated this year.

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

The IFC Board

The newly elected IFC Executive Council promoted fraternity life

The Interfraternity Council was an extension of the national North-American Interfraternity Conference. At GW the IFC oversaw and governed 17 fraternities. The IFC promoted fraternity life and provided support and resources for chapters on campus. The governing board of the IFC was responsible for education and enrichment of chapters and members at GW. The 2013 Executive Board was comprised of the elected President and six vice-presidents. The new board was installed and transitioned in December of 2012. The IFC President was Casey Wood, the Executive Vice President was Michael Buss, the Vice President of Judicial Affairs was Tyler Daniels, the Vice President of Recruitment was Jack Leech, the Vice President of Administration was Tyler James, the Vice President of Programming was Sean Lynch and the Vice President of Public Relations was Walter Prystowsky.

"IFC has been an integral part of my experience here at GW," Casey Wood said. "I have met some of the most amazing people and have been exposed to so many others that I truly look up to. It was an honor being able to serve this amazing group of people and I along with my executive board look forward to furthering this community. Through our hard work, devotion to the community and positive energy we hoped to continue to expand while simultaneously becoming closer knit then ever before." IFC was the foundation that that held together the most important aspects of all fraternal organizations at GW. It played an integral part in GW's expanding Greek life system.



ZBT Zeta Beta Tau



Although no longer a sectarian organization, the brothers of ZBT stand by its credo of intellectual awareness, social responsibility, integrity and brotherly love. The Phi Alpha Chapter at George Washington University recolonized in 2007. The chapter had 80 members and initiated 19 members last fall. Beyond the chapter's impressive size, Zeta Beta Tau National honored the Phi Alpha Alpha chapter as the recipient of the Brummer Cup, named "The 2012 International Chapter of the Year." ZBT had one of the highest GPAs in all of GW's Greek life because of weekly study hours and GPA-based incentives. Brothers were also required to perform 10 hours of community service each semester. ZBT hosted its annual philanthropy event, "Get On The Ball" in the spring. The namesake of their philanthropy was due to their giant ball that was rolled throughout the GW campus, as well as all over Washington, D.C. The chapter was proud to produce a final check to the Children's Miracle Network Hospital for over $11,000, and raised more money than any other Zeta Beta Tau chapter.

"Powerhouse of Excellence."

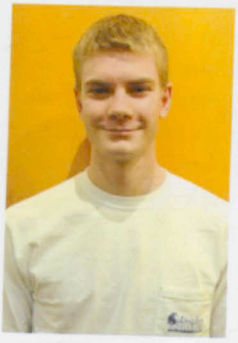


Character Snapshots



"IFC has really helped me transform my perspective on the Greek community. It was a great experience and an exciting opportunity getting to work with 25 guys from different chapters to map out the future of our community!"

—Sean Lynch



"Greek life here at GW has gone through a lot of positive changes, and I'm proud to have been a part of that change. It has been great to see the hard work start to pay off, and there's no better place to make an impact than the IFC, which served as a liaison between student life and the University."

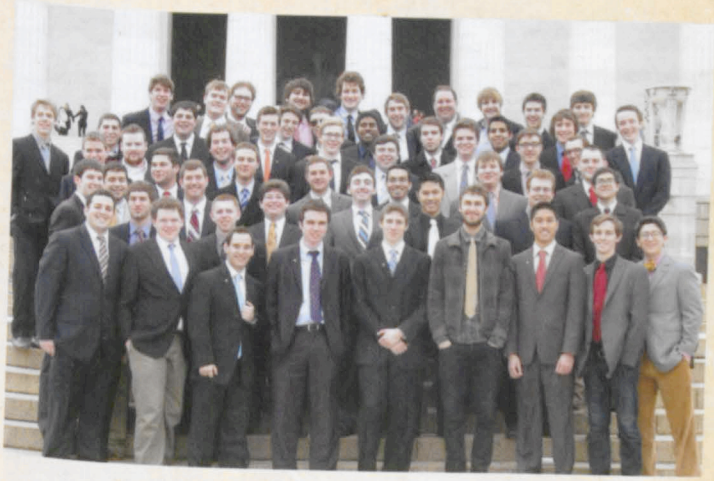
—Jack Leech



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—Michael Buss

ΒΘΠ Beta Theta Pi



Beta Theta Pi, Zeta Nu Chapter, was chartered at George Washington University in 1997. The chapter "built an organization which truly holds men of principle and enhances the college experience on a variety of levels." Brothers of Beta were campus leaders and involved in a variety of student organizations that included the International Affairs Society, the Student Association and Interfraternity Council. Chapter members participated in sorority and fraternity philanthropies, intramural IFC sports and Colonial Inauguration. The national organization recognized the GW chapter with four Francis Sisson Awards for Chapter Excellence and the Northeastern Recruitment Award.

"Cooperation Makes Strength."

Kappa Delta Joins Panhel

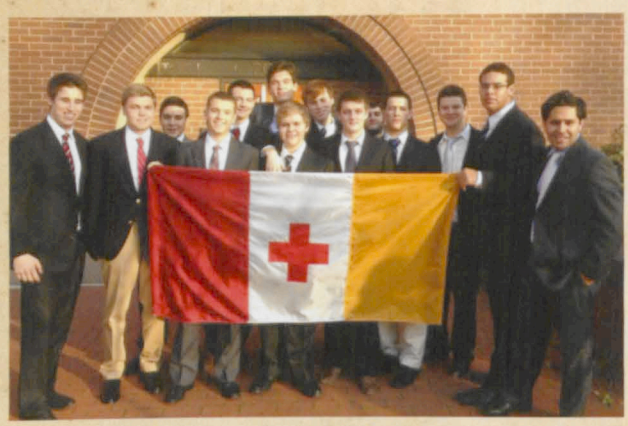
Kappa Delta officially installed on February 10, 2013



Kappa Delta sorority colonized at the GW in the fall of 2012. It was the 11th chapter to join the GW Panhellenic Association. Kappa Delta was founded on the principles of truth, honor and duty without which there can be no true friendship. The chapter recruited unaffiliated freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors after Panhellenic formal recruitment. Potential new members were encouraged to sign up for coffee dates with two Leadership Development Consultants to learn more about the sorority. Over 130 women signed bids to become colony members of Kappa Delta. These new members became the first Alpha class of Kappa Delta at GW. The Alpha class went through six weeks of educational training on the history, sisterhood and principles of Kappa Delta. The Kappa Delta consultants stayed with the chapter to guide their members through the process of colonization until after installation. Kappa Delta installed its 148th active chapter, Sigma Mu, on Feb. 10, 2013. Leadership opportunities were available for Kappa Delta sisters a few weeks after bid day. There were numerous positions available, including 10 council offices, several appointed offices and several committees. The council positions included: President, VP-Member Education, VP-Membership, VP-Operations, VP-Community Service, VP-Public Relations, VP-Standards, Secretary, Treasurer and Panhellenic Delegate. Kappa Delta also had the opportunity to participate in Panhellenic spring informal recruitment to reach total membership on campus. The sorority had four national philanthropies that included Girl Scouts, Prevent Child Abuse America, Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU and Orthopedic Research Awards. "Kappa Delta was proud of the success accomplished at the university and looked forward to watching Sigma Mu's continuous growth. The chapter planned to contribute greatly to the strong fraternity and sorority life as well as bring new ideas and flair to the community," Leadership Development Consultant Kim Lewis said. Kappa Delta was an important addition to the increasing in size and popularity of GW Greek life.



KA Kappa Alpha Order



"Brothers faithful unto death."

Originally chartered in 1894, the Alpha Nu Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Order had a long history here at GW -- with high profile brothers such as J. Edgar Hoover holding important officer positions. The chapter re-chartered on campus in January of 2008. KA had their first major on campus philanthropy in March to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The brothers hosted a MDA walk and barbecue to reach their fundraising goals. "A fraternal order differentiates us from other chapters on campus. An 'order' seeks out gentlemen with similar values and brings them into their brotherhood only to further their success. We do not try to mold our New Members through mindless pledging activities. We do not have to teach our guys how to be standup individuals, because we bring them into this fraternity with those values already instilled," President Peyton Zere said. Recruited on these ideals, along with chivalry, gentility and reverence, Kappa Alpha Order had controlled and quality growth ever since the chapter's re-chartering.



Character Snapshot



"I joined Kappa Delta because my GW experience was missing something, and I knew joining a new chapter on campus was a once in a lifetime opportunity. Kappa Delta was an organization that inspired each of us to be the best version of ourselves. Our chapter was excited to join Greek life as well as the GW and greater D.C. communities."

—Joanna Rodriguez, Kappa Delta







ΔΣΘ Delta Sigma Theta



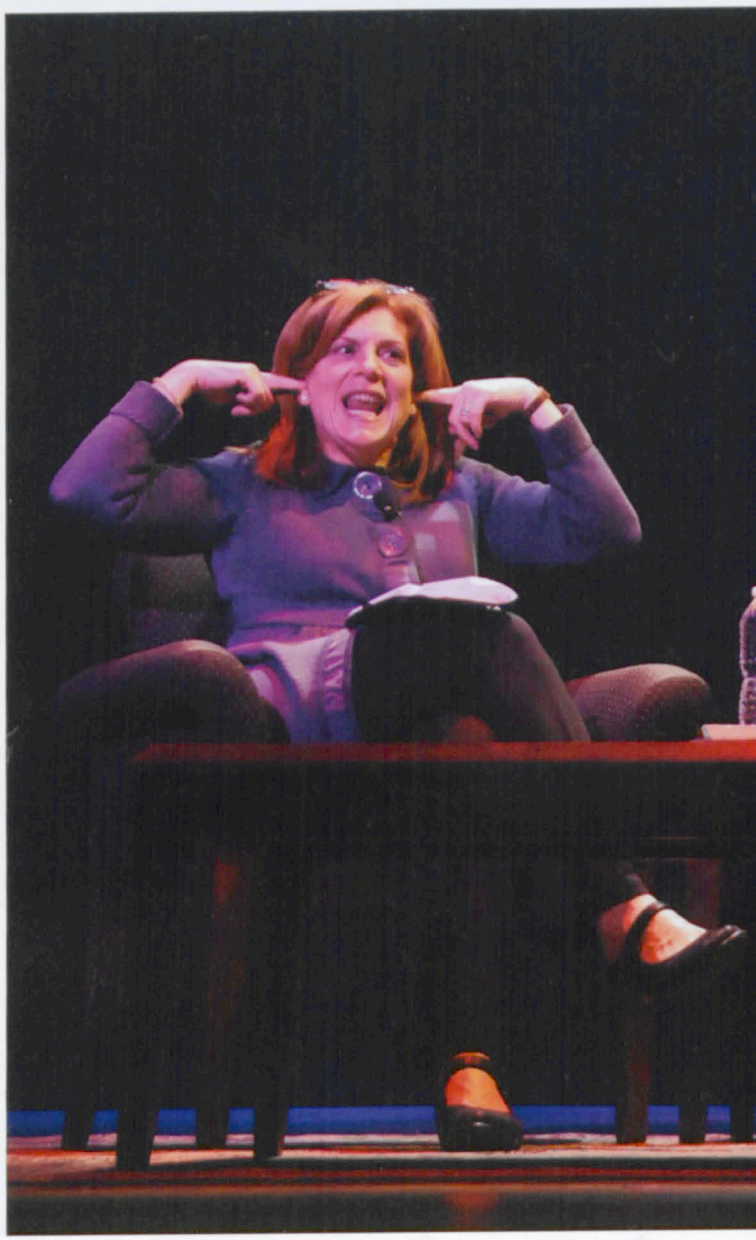
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, was founded on the campus of Howard University by 22 illustrious, visionary women. The Mu Beta chapter of Delta Sigma Theta was charted at GW in 1975. As the first black Greek lettered organization on campus, the members of the Mu Beta chapter have continuously strived to enhance the greater GW community. With various community service efforts, social action, educational, political and economic programs initiatives, the Mu Beta chapter continued to promote a legacy of excellence at GW. As a national organization celebrating its 100th year, the Mu Beta chapter was enthralled to belong to a sisterhood with such a rich history and dedication to service and scholarship. "It was an amazing feeling waking up each day knowing that I belong to such an exceptional sisterhood. It was a truly wonderful feeling that I have so many sisters around the world who continually strive to be their personal best but to also enhance their communities. I loved being a Delta!" President Maya Frazier stated.

"Intelligence is the torch of wisdom."

Grand Chapter

GW Greek life brought Zach Braff to campus

The annual Grand Chapter meeting was held on Wednesday April 24, 2013 in the Lisner Auditorium. Grand Chapter was the opportunity for GW Greek life to gather and focus on opportunities to promote a positive image, express ideas for future programming and events and work together to make Greek life better. GW Greek life cosponsored the event with the Student Association and Program Board and brought *Scrubs* star Zach Braff to campus as the lead speaker of Grand Chapter. Zach Braff was a member of Phi Kappa Psi at Northwestern University. He was best known for his acting role in popular medical-comedy *Scrubs* and as the director and producer of the film *Garden State*. Inter-fraternity Council President Casey Wood, Panhellenic Association President Rachael Abram and Multicultural Council President Jessica Watters started the evening with a roll call of each chapter, which led to cheering and clapping from Greeks throughout Lisner. Vice President of External Relations, Lorraine Voles, was the moderator for the event. She asked Braff questions about his experience with Greek life and his current career. Braff spoke about his time as a Greek at Northwestern, the power and influence of Greek Life and answered questions from the crowd. Students tweeted at Braff using the hash tag #GWAskBraff to ask questions. The event was open to all GW students and there were over 1,500 tickets available, two-thirds of which were reserved for fraternity and sorority members. Tickets for Greek life members were allocated according to chapter size while non-Greek life students had the opportunity to pick up their free ticket from the Student Association. The crowd couldn't stop laughing at Braff's amusing jokes and stories. He was an overall hit for GW students!



ΣX Sigma Chi



The Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Chi was founded at the George Washington University in 1864. Since then, the chapter has grown to include more than 130 active brothers from all across the nation and the world. The chapter's national philanthropy was the Children's Miracle Network and the Huntsman Cancer Institute. In 2013, the Epsilon Chapter was one of GW's largest fraternities, counting some of the school's most active students as its own. Consistently recognized by both the University and its international headquarters, the Epsilon Chapter looked forward to celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2014.

"In This Sign You Shall Conquer."

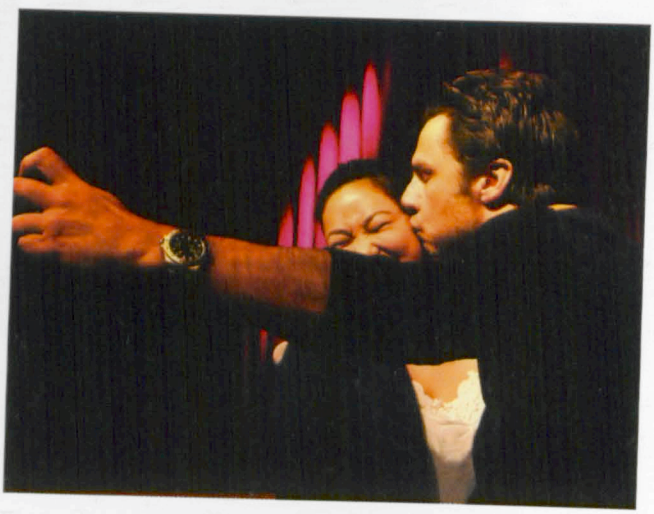


Character Snapshot



"Zach Braff was hilarious! He kept his commentary light and fun and kept us laughing all night."
—Kelsey Zwolenski
Alpha Delta Pi





ΣAE Sigma Alpha Epsilon



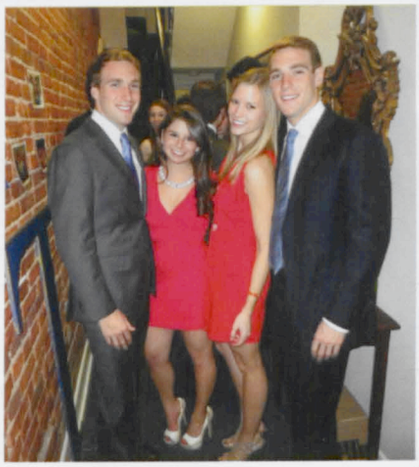
Sigma Alpha Epsilon was founded at GW in 1858. The chapter was referred to as Washington City Rho and was nicknamed the Phoenix chapter, an important symbol in SAE because during the Civil War it was the only chapter kept active as every other chapter was fighting on the Confederate side of the War. Sigma Alpha Epsilon's philanthropy in the spring supported Men Can Stop Rape, which empowered young men to have a healthy perception of masculinity. The chapter's fall philanthropy benefited their national philanthropy, Children's Miracle Network. The chapter returned to GW in the fall and the first pledge class was initiated in 2012.

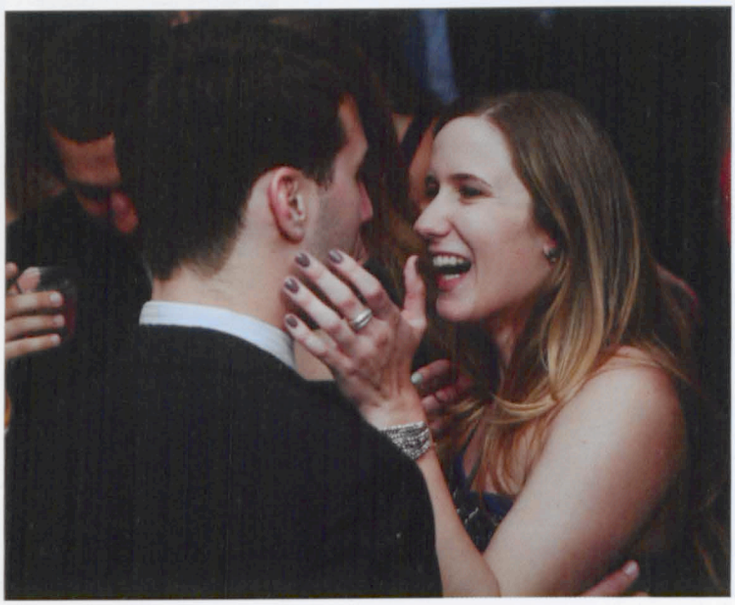
"Phi Alpha."

Spring Formals

Greek life enjoyed formals season

Spring formals season for the Panhellenic Association and the Inter-fraternity Council began in April at the George Washington University. Formals were held to celebrate the end of a successful semester. Most chapters held their formals at local hotels, clubs or restaurants in the city. Some ventured out further; for example Sigma Chi held their formal at the Blue Heron Pines Gold Club in Atlantic City on April 20. Alpha Delta Pi hosted their formal at the legendary Willard InterContinental Hotel near the White House. On the same evening, Sigma Delta Tau held their formal at the trendy restaurant Lost Society. "It was a great escape from campus for sisters and their dates and the night was filled with dancing, delicious desserts and amazing memories," said sister Julia Accetta. On April 18, Phi Kappa Psi hosted their event at Brixton, a British style restaurant and pub. The newest Panhellenic chapter, Kappa Delta, held their formal at the Renaissance Hotel in Dupont Circle. At every event there were fun superlatives given out, including "most in denial about graduating" and "best big-little pair." Most formals also had a buffet, which included chocolate fondue or Georgetown Cupcakes. Some chapters even provided photo booths and accessories to take fun pictures! Greek men and women spent their evening dancing, celebrating and enjoying the night with their brothers and sisters.







ΦΒΣ Phi Beta Sigma



In 1914, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity was founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C. The Founders, Honorable A. Langston Taylor, Honorable Leonard F. Morse and Honorable Charles I. Brown, wanted to organize a Greek letter fraternity that would truly exemplify the ideals of brotherhood, scholarship and service. They believed that each potential member "should be judged by his own merits, rather than his family background or affluence...without regard to race, nationality, skin tone or texture of hair." Members of the fraternity had been instrumental in the establishment of the Phi Beta Sigma National Foundation, the Phi Beta Sigma Federal Credit Union and The Sigma Beta Club Foundation. The sister organization of the fraternity was Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

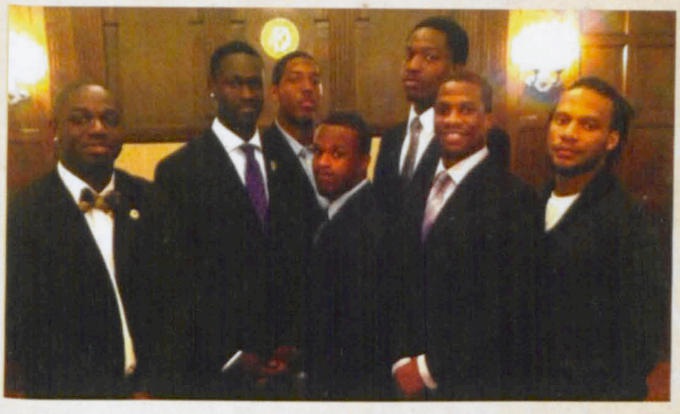
"Culture For Service and Service For Humanity."





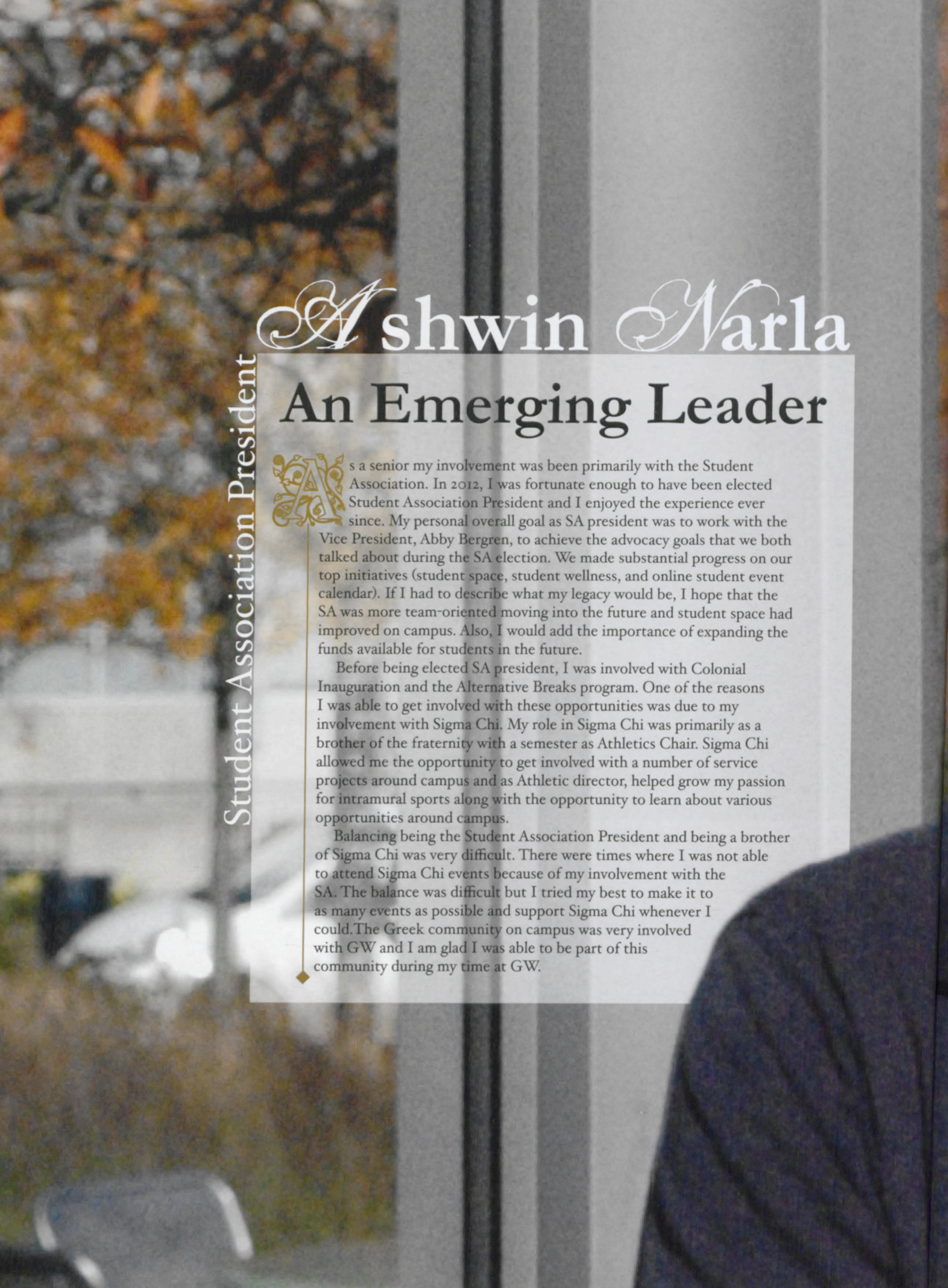


ΟΨΦ Omega Psi Phi



Omega Psi Phi was the first predominantly African-American fraternity to be founded at a historically black university, Howard University. The Delta Theta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity incorporated was founded at Southeastern University on Sept. 3, 1969. However, in 2008, the charter was relocated to George Washington University. Since then, Delta Theta had played an important role at Georgetown, George Washington and in the D.C. community.

"Friendship is Essential to the Soul."



Student Association President

Ashwin Narla

An Emerging Leader

As a senior my involvement was been primarily with the Student Association. In 2012, I was fortunate enough to have been elected Student Association President and I enjoyed the experience ever since. My personal overall goal as SA president was to work with the Vice President, Abby Bergren, to achieve the advocacy goals that we both talked about during the SA election. We made substantial progress on our top initiatives (student space, student wellness, and online student event calendar). If I had to describe what my legacy would be, I hope that the SA was more team-oriented moving into the future and student space had improved on campus. Also, I would add the importance of expanding the funds available for students in the future.

Before being elected SA president, I was involved with Colonial Inauguration and the Alternative Breaks program. One of the reasons I was able to get involved with these opportunities was due to my involvement with Sigma Chi. My role in Sigma Chi was primarily as a brother of the fraternity with a semester as Athletics Chair. Sigma Chi allowed me the opportunity to get involved with a number of service projects around campus and as Athletic director, helped grow my passion for intramural sports along with the opportunity to learn about various opportunities around campus.

Balancing being the Student Association President and being a brother of Sigma Chi was very difficult. There were times where I was not able to attend Sigma Chi events because of my involvement with the SA. The balance was difficult but I tried my best to make it to as many events as possible and support Sigma Chi whenever I could.The Greek community on campus was very involved with GW and I am glad I was able to be part of this community during my time at GW.



Program Board President

Lauren Shenfeld

An Involved Community Leader

At most universities, being Greek means dedicating four years to dressing up for football games and painting coolers for formal dates. At GW, being Greek had an entirely different meaning: leadership development, community building, philanthropy and identity growth, to list a few. After transferring to GW, I knew I wanted to go through Panhellenic Formal Recruitment. I felt confident that joining a sorority would be a great way to quickly meet many more people at GW and to fill up my calendar with social programs, athletics games and sisterhood events. The Greek community, however, provided much more than that. My involvement in Alpha Delta Pi sorority and Greek Life created a foundation for me at GW and a launching pad for involvement in the greater university.

As a member of Alpha Delta Pi, I had the privilege of meeting over 1500 talented women who were involved in all different types of organizations on campus, from dance troops to honors societies. There was not one chapter meeting that ended without a sister announcing that she was seeking others to fill an open leadership position in an organization she led, or to join her the following weekend to complete community service project with yet another student group. My sisters set a standard for involvement.

Without any doubt, I was Executive Chair of GW Program Board because of my Greek connections. During my sophomore year, and only my second semester at GW, a sister approached me to share that Program Board was looking for a new Arts Chair. She, along with a brother of a GW fraternity, felt that my experience in event planning in high school, as well as my personal passion for the performing arts, made me an ideal candidate. Because of them, my college memories included the time I introduced Train at Colonials Weekend, spearheaded GW's Hurricane Sandy relief efforts and hosted nearly 1,000 people for FotoWeek DC programing at GW. I would look back on the Inaugural Ball that I helped plan and recall the accomplishments of the various committees I served on because of my leadership position at GW. What is most significant, however, is that these memories all began with my decision to join Greek life.

This year, the seniors in ADPi vowed to be as present and active in the chapter as possible, proving to the younger sisters that despite the other responsibilities we have taken on at GW or in DC, we would always recognize the significant role ADPi and Greek life played in our college years. I was so grateful for the life-long friends I made, the support network the Greek community provided and the experiences afforded to me as a result of planting my GW roots Greek.

—Lauren Shenfeld



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Campus Full of Cheer

The large contributions and relentless encouragement given by the GW spirit program was greatly appreciated by the whole university.

The GW Spirit Program was comprised of the nationally competitive co-ed cheer team and the First Ladies dance team, and Colonial Army. Throughout the year the groups dedicated their time to support all 23-varsity sports and never ceased in fostering the buff and blue pride. The spirit teams were most known to the university for their attendance at every single men and women's home basketball games. All programs additionally traveled with both basketball teams to each of their games played in the Atlantic 10 Championships.

The 2013 cheer team consisted of 22 men and women and was coached by first year Dave Almedia. Apart from their energetic presence on the basketball courts, the cheer team attended morning and night practices at least three times a week. They worked on perfecting tumbling and gymnastics skills, which repeatedly wowed the crowd. It was a shortage of cheerleaders, not talent that prevented the squad from attending nationals this year.

GW's First Ladies dance team was made up of 10 women. Led by head coach Wanda Weir and assistant coach Allison Tranchina, a First Lady alumnus, the Ladies finished an eventful year. Their season began with a three-day camp in the beginning of August and extended through nationals in April. Practicing three to four times per week, the dance team became a tightly knitted family whose faces became familiar around campus. The First Ladies competed nationally for the 13th consecutive year and placed sixth in Division 1 at the Challenge Cup at NDA Collegiate Cheer and Dance Championship in Daytona, FL.

The chants, cheers and shouts of the Colonial Army were always heard ringing through the Smith Center last year. The Colonial Army had been an unfailing force of school spirit and athletic support, maintaining a large membership base and showing up faithfully to the front row of every basketball game and many other sporting events throughout the year.









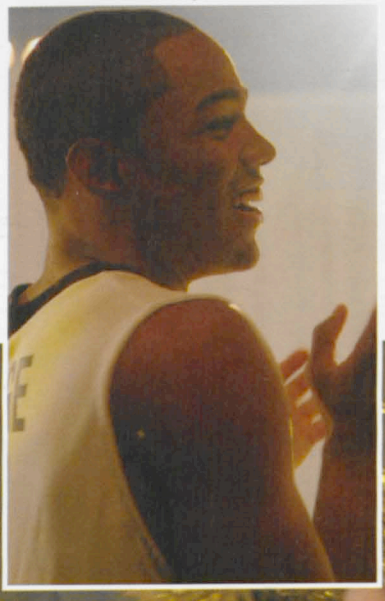




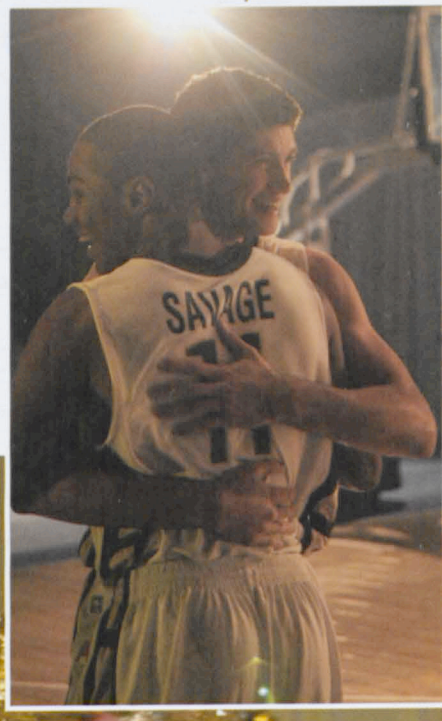














Setting: Comny Hall

Colonials Invasion pep rally was held in Comny Hall at the Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall in Arlington, Virgina. The base is home to the Army's Old Guard and U.S. Army Band, as well as the Marines of Henderson Hall. Nearly 300,000 service members and their families have resided in the Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall community. On the night of Colonials Invasion, an air of patriotism filled the gymnasium of the military base. Men and women in uniform accompanied by their family, friends and loved ones stood intermingled with GW students, athletes, faculty and staff. As the last notes of "The Star Spangled Banner" were sung, the mood switched from quiet and humble, to exciting and energetic. The lights began to turn on and off announcing the start of the night's events at the patriotic military base where the university proudly pledged allegiance to the red, white, buff and blue.





Hail to the Red, White, Buff & Blue

The 2012 Colonials Invasion at Fort Myers

George Washington's annual pep rally, Colonials Invasion, was hosted at a military base in Arlington, Virginia, and excited the university's students for the upcoming basketball season and supported the armed forces. The ripple of a basketball court-sized American flag echoed throughout Fort Myer's gymnasium. The George Washington University's cheer and dance team had just raised the flag above their heads for the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner." The men's basketball team played their home games on Comny Hall's basketball court between 1956 and 1975, so the night celebrated GW history and honored the men and women of the military.

Perhaps one of the more moving moments of the evening's event was when the basketball players were individually introduced to the crowd by walking out with children whose parents served in the armed forces. The kids were smiling from ear-to-ear when they ran onto the court next to basketball players nearly three times their height. Each player-child partnership performed handshakes that they choreographed together before they ran towards the crowd to toss them GW t-shirts. The children made sure to aim their t-shirts into the outstretched hands of their families who proudly watched their sons and daughters from the audience.

"It was our true honor to conduct the event at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall," said Patrick Nero, director of athletics and recreation. "The men and women who serve our country are our heroes, and at George Washington we want to continue to show our admiration and respect for our servicemen, servicewomen, veterans and their families."

The night included performances from the GW Cheer Team, the First Ladies and Capital Funk dance groups, and a dunking contest and relay race between the basketball players. Colonials Invasion concluded with a breathtaking show from the U.S. Army base's drill team. The uniformed men stunned the crowd by effortlessly tossing bayonets in the air and clicking their polished shoes in union.

The basketball players received the chance to experience the pressure and support equivalent to that felt in a boot camp in army training during their relay race against each other. Two teams mixed with the men and women players raced to be the first to finish sets of squats, jump rope, push-ups and sprints. While each team member fought to outrace their opponents, soldiers stationed at Ft. Myers yelled encouragement into the athlete's faces.

When men's basketball freshman forward Paris Maragkos powered through a series of push-ups, two screaming service men dropped to the floor to do pushups along side of him, motivating Maragkos to do his best. Each team was competing for a $500 prize that would be awarded to the Re-Inventing Schools Coalition (RISC) and Team Rubicon. RICS , a non-profit organization, strived to give all children the schooling they need to be successful in life. Military veterans and medical professionals created Team Rubicon to provide emergency response aid to crisis situations around the world. The final sprint of the relay was between freshman Kevin Larsen and senior Isaiah Armwood. Larsen beat Armwood by a hair. In the end, both teams received the money to give to each of the charities.

This was the first time in Colonials Invasion history that the event was located off campus. Seven mega-buses transported students to and from the Smith Center and Fort Myers, said Brian Sereno, athletics communication director. The bus ride lasted about nine minutes.

The off-campus location raised concern from the GW student body. Many students deemed it too much of a hassle to attend Colonials Invasion. "The idea was cool but it made it unrealistic to attend," said sophomore and water polo player Ben Krigel. "I didn't want to go to something that I couldn't leave whenever I wanted." Krigel said he went to and enjoyed Colonial Invasion in the Smith Center last year. "I wasn't aware about the event until about a half hour prior and considering it was off campus it made it difficult to go on the fly," GW freshman Morgan Day said. Sereno said that 837 people in the audience was a lower attendance number than in previous years.

"In the end, it turned out fine, but I think for us, it's about everything that we do goes back to who we are and how we want to be perceived," Nero said. "The military and this building means a lot to us." Busses drove away from Ft. Myers that night with students reflecting upon the red, white, buff and blue.



Athletic Director

Pat Nero

Nero's Sophomore Year

GW's Athletic Director Patrick Nero committed to helping his student athletes succeed in all aspects of their lives.

"Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are," the legendary American basketball player and coach John Wooden said. When asked the name of his ultimate sports idol, Nero confidently responded with John Wooden.

"[Wooden] best reflects the values of what I feel," Nero said referring to Wooden's successful balance of sports, education and character.

Nero worked as GW's athletic director for two years. He had a long history of working in athletics. Prior to GW, Nero served as commissioner of the American East Conference, the director of athletics at the University of Maine and senior associate athletic director at the University of Miami.

Nero attributed his love for sports and his highly reputable role in athletics to growing up in Providence, R.I. He recalled attending numerous Providence College basketball games. Storming Providence's basketball court with his brother when Providence beat number one teams in the country were some of Nero's fondest sport memories.

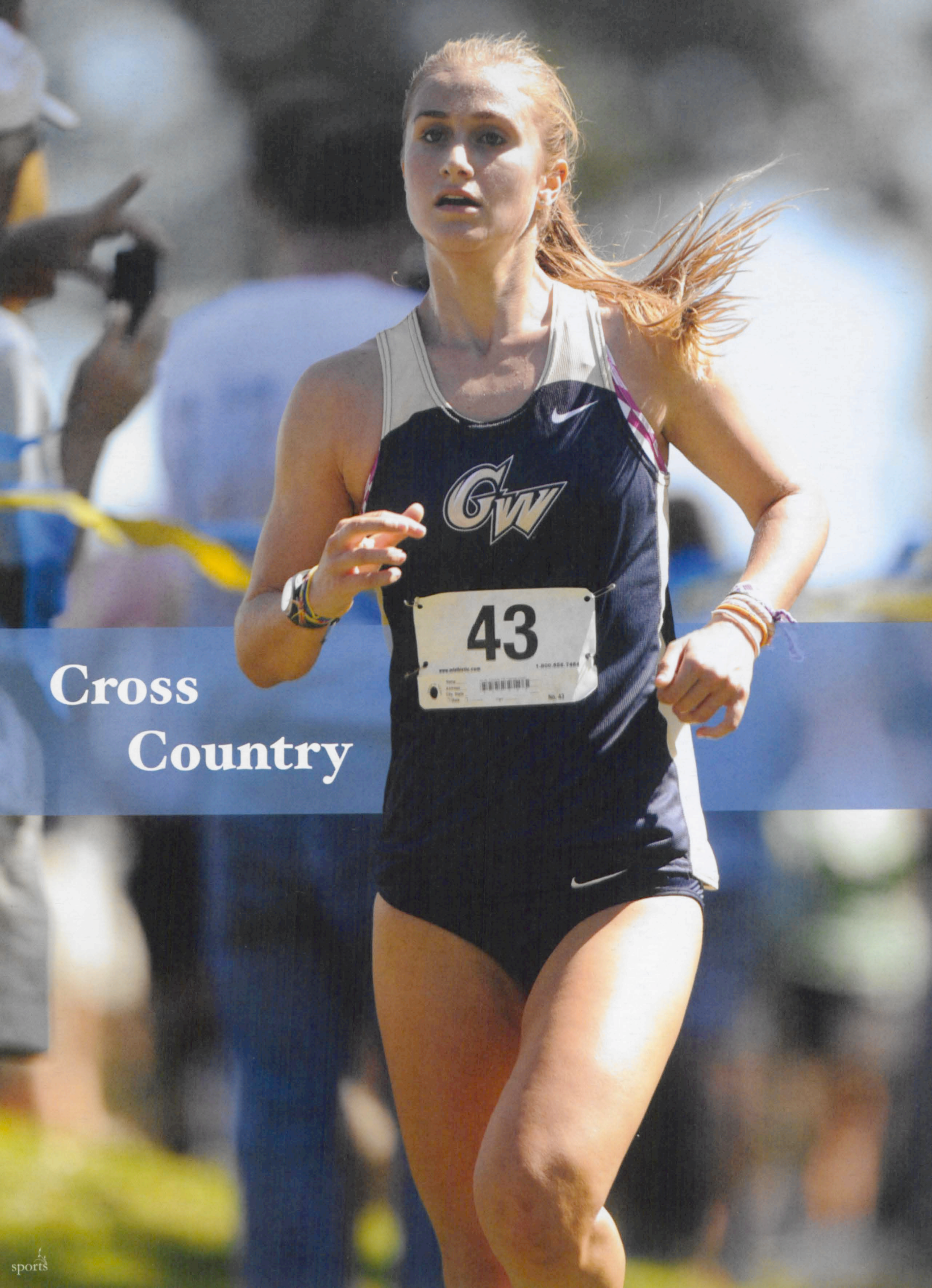
Another one of Nero's treasured sports memories occurred in 2011 when the GW Men's Soccer team went to the Atlantic 10 Championship. At the championship, Head Coach George Lidster coached the last college soccer game of his career. The image of the soccer team carrying Lidster off the field engrained itself in Nero's heart. "It was a great career coming to an end," said Nero. "All he's ever done is college soccer. That's something really special."

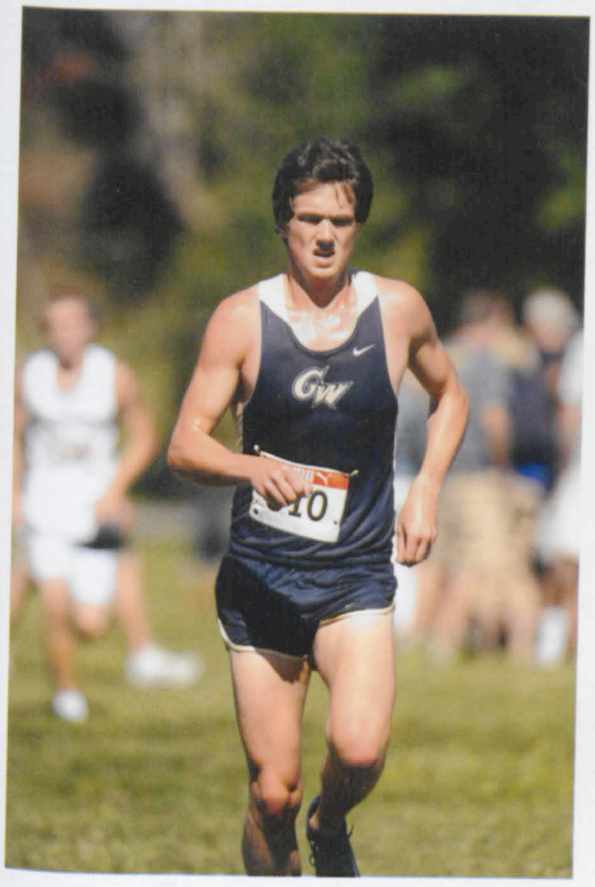
As athletic director, Nero spends most of his days interacting with different constituents. He attends staff meetings in the mornings, meets with coaches and makes sure to interact daily with GW athletes in any form. Nero even travels about two days a week with different sports teams to cheer them on off campus.

When not at the Smith Center or sporting events, students most likely ran into Nero at the GW Deli on his lunch break. Nero laughed and said, "That's how I figure out what everyone is doing and if my athletes are eating healthy."

This year, Nero's goals were to see growth in certain areas. He dedicated his time to ensuring that all student-athletes had a future plan. He made assistance available to athletes who required help building their resumes, finding internship opportunities, and declaring their majors. Nero also established a mentoring program with athlete alumni. Nero wanted to make sure that all athletes received what they needed to achieve success in their teams, education, character growths, and futures. "Each team and individual athlete has their own goal," Nero said. "I want to help them meet their individual goals and make sure they get the most out of their talent."




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Comeback Kicks

Both the men's and women's cross country teams raced exponentially better compared to last year's seasons.

Although injuries held back the teams from success last year, GW men's and women's cross country teams raced faster than ever to the finish line this season, winning multiple team, individual and personal records.The second year Head Coach Terry Weir effectively prepared both teams to improve upon their race times from the following year. The teams' made a point to stay healthy and intact in order to compete in the Atlantic 10 Team Championship. By the end of the season, the Colonials ranked 15th in the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Mid-Atlantic Regional poll, their first-ever regional ranking. Both teams raced in the A-10 Championship, NCAA Mid-Atlantic Regionals, and the IC4A/ECAC Championship.

Noted highlights from the women's season included a second-place finish in the Seagull Opener and placing 10th at the A-10 Team Championship. In addition, the three seniors on the team, Julia Weir, Heather Stevens and Julianna Stern provided the team with veteran leadership and a number of outstanding times this year. At the Seagull Opener on September 10, GW's second-place win out of 11 teams proved to be the Colonials best team finish since 2009. Stevens raced her career-best, placing third out of 146 runners, when she completed the 6,000-meter course in 22:35. By the end of the season, Stevens 6,000 meter time had shrunk to 22:07. Stern came in sixth place, followed closely by freshman Caroline Wolfe who finished seventh. On October 27, GW took 10th place at the A-10 Championship. This was GW's best showing at the championship in three years. Stevens earned All-Conference honors with her 15th place finish out of 140 runners and Stern and Weir kept up their pace the whole race. "We came in 10th today and that's a big step for as, we've never been better," Stevens said.

The men's cross country team demonstrated great triumph at the Seagull Opener and the A-10 Team Championship as well. Sole senior Alex Dadds helped to motivate the talented young team to the finish line. GW placed third out of 10 teams at the Seagull Opener in early September and earned four top-20 finishes. At the A-10 Championship, the Colonials placed 13th out of 16 teams. Sophomore Jackson Carnes crossed the finish line 56th out of 136 runners and Dadds crossed the line right behind him to place 57th. Just over three seconds later, freshman Ryan Tucker took 60th place at the Championship.

With lineups composed primarily of underclassmen, Coach Weir predicted that the following seasons will continue to see the improvement that was achieved in the 2012-2013 season.





Sailing to New Beginnings

The GW sailing team took big steps when it inaugurated from a long time club sport to the University's 23rd varsity sport in the 2012-2013 season.

Once a co-ed team of 26 sailors was formed and awarded with a head coach, a long time GW club became the newest varsity sport. In July of 2012, the Department of Athletics named John Pearce the first head sailing coach in Colonial history.

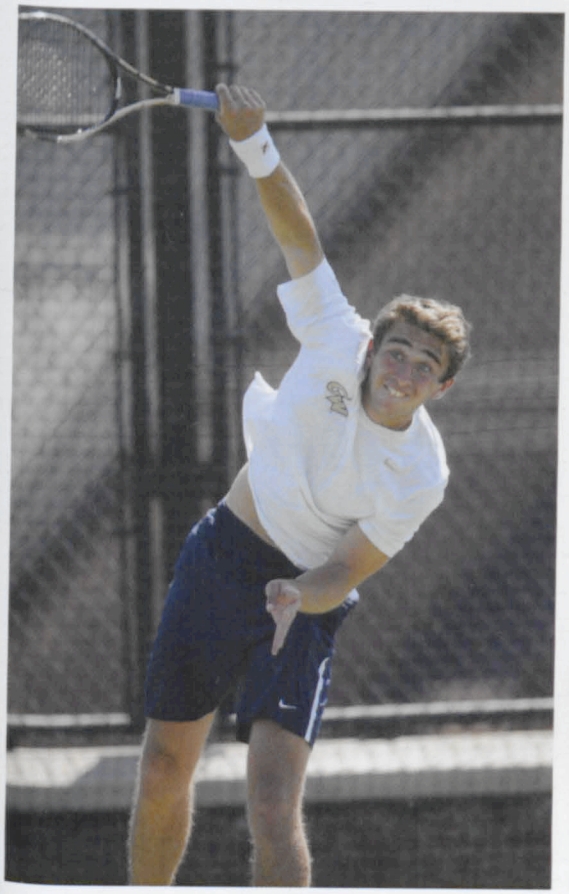
"I am really looking forward to leading the George Washington sailing team at such an exciting time in the program's history," said Coach Pearce at the beginning of the season. "This group of student athletes has shown a great deal of commitment and self-motivation to get the club team to this point. With the transition to varsity status next fall, we will be raising our sights toward being one of the best teams in the country. It will take a whole lot of hard work, but from now on the sky is the limit." The sky certainly was the limit. Throughout the fall and spring seasons, the GW Sailing team continued to grow and improve. On their home water, the Potomac River, and away, the team usually placed in middle ground for the majority of their regattas. One notable achievement of the season was earning a spot in the War Memorial Regatta of the Mid-Atlantic Intercollegiate Sailing Association Fall Championship.

Despite the lack of higher ranked finishes, the team agreed their new status as a varsity sport was a great improvement. The attention and support received from the Athletic Department and Pearce greatly increased the Colonials' sailing expertise.

"I was the treasurer for two years with the club team and I oversaw the financial transition," said senior Ian Conners. "The transition has just been more time for me to not worry about making sure the team functions and just show up and actually sail." As a varsity sport, the team no longer had to deal with balancing budgets and coaching themselves. The 2012-2013 season provided the team with a better understanding of training and competing at varsity level. With the transition period successfully completed, GW Sailing foresaw finishing higher at the next conference championship and continuing to thrive as a team under the Athletics Department and Coach Pearce.


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Tennis







Difficult Wins

GW men's and women's tennis teams took on a challenging schedule in order to prove their worth.

The men's tennis team had nine members with seniors, Leonardo Lapentti and Alexander van Gils. Coming off of winning their second straight Atlantic 10 Championship and second-ever NCAA Tournament appearance, GW wisely used their fall matches and practices to build up strength for a challenging spring season. They faced their most challenging schedule yet in spring that featured seven nationally ranked opponents and three NCAA participants in 19 matches. Seventh-year Head Coach Greg Munoz purposely planned a difficult year in order to motivate the team for the A-10 Championship.

"The A-10 was an extremely strong conference and coming away with a championship is an impressive feat," Munoz said. "Despite winning two straight titles we don't feel we have a target on our back. Teams would not only want to beat us, but they would be coming for programs like Charlotte, VCU and Xavier as well. This league was full of strong competition and it continued to get tougher every year."

The team's goal was to be ranked top-75 in the country and their tough schedule provided them with the opportunity to beat high-ranked teams.

GW lost the A-10 Championship title to VCU 4-3 and finished the season with an impressive overall record of 17 wins and 7 losses.

The eight-player women's team additionally faced a challenging spring season. Fall tournaments prepared them for big competitions.

"We put together a very strong schedule this year and we were excited to hit the court and play," ninth-year Head Coach Dawn Buth said. "With five tough Atlantic 10 schools on the schedule, along with great non-conference competition, we planned to enter the conference championship in April as prepared as we could be."

After improving throughout the year, sixth-seeded GW fell to third-seeded Massachusetts, 4-2, in the quarterfinals of the 2013 Atlantic 10 Women's Tennis Championship. They concluded the year with an overall record of 11-8. GW lost seniors Mimi Hamling and Dorota Lysienia to graduation and was slated to return six players to next year's lineup.



Rowing







Speeding Things Up

GW's men's and women's rowing teams spent their 2013 seasons practicing and racing to meet their max speeds.

Under fourth-year head coach Mark Davis's guide, the men's rowing program had come a long way.

"There has been a big transition on the team since I have been here," said Coach Davis. "There is a lot more seriousness as we try to raise this program to a new level. Our seniors are a big part of this and have been tremendous. They have set the bar high, and the younger classes have followed their lead."

After coming back from a successful 2012 season, the rowers worked tough practices and trained hard multiple times a day. It was clear that their motivation from the end of last season carried over the summer and into the fall season, where the Colonials had success in local headraces and open events. They registered two victories at the Occoquan Chase, performed well at the Princeton Chase and also competed at the legendary Head of the Charles Regatta. The team's dedication and effort paid off as each boat's speed increased drastically by the spring season.

One of the major season highlights was GW's third place finish at the annual George Washington Rowing Invitational, held April 12th-13th. The event, which began in 1988, was the largest collegiate rowing competition in the Washington Metropolitan Area.

GW women's rowing team additionally demonstrated a great increase in speed throughout the season. The team possessed an even stronger incentive to win the Atlantic 10 Championship because for the first time in conference history, the winner of the A-10's earned an automatic bid to the NCAA Women's Rowing National Championships.

"As a result of the new automatic qualifier, I felt that we needed to get more action in at the start of the season," explained head coach Eric Carcich. "We wanted to be at maximum speed by May 4th, so we challenged ourselves with some really tough early-season races."

After being with the team for four years, Carcich largely appreciated the dedication the senior class had given him throughout their career at GW.

"We were very different than we were that first year," observed Carcich. "I definitely have to give a lot of credit to this senior class. They've taken on GW and they've completely taken on this team's philosophy."

The women's season ended with a bang when they finished third place overall at the Atlantic 10 Championship, along with a gold medal performance from the Varsity 8. Despite not receiving a bid to Nationals, this performance was one of their best.

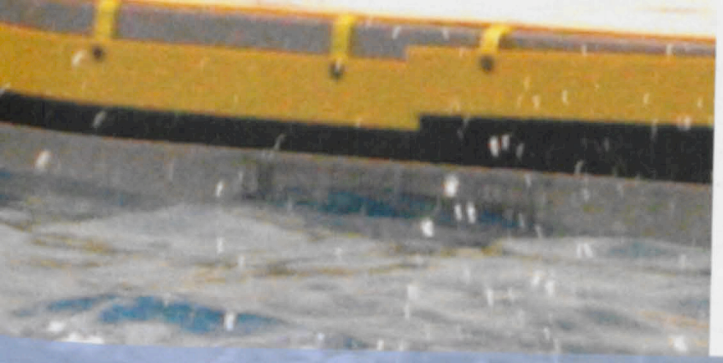
"The elation is insane right now," said senior Anna Kamniski after the championships. "Over the last four years, my freshman year we were kind of at the bottom, and it's been a lot of hard work and dedication that we've put in. It's great to see it all come together right now."

Both rowing teams looked ahead to further improvements in the upcoming season.

Men's Waterpolo







Team Playing

GW men's water polo returned 90 percent of their offensive players and welcomed four talented freshmen, which made for a winning season.





GW opened the season with a 4-0 record after the Navy Opener in September. This marked the team's first perfect starting record since 2006 and the Colonial's initial victories demonstrated how the team performed as a perfect unit. Of the 304 total goals scored this season, 86 of them were attributed to the Navy Opener scored equally by nearly half of the team.

After last year's "get to know each other" season, GW returned with a powerful team understanding and a few new players that was an equation for success. "We didn't graduate anyone and we brought in some really strong players," said senior goalie Cameron Illes.

This season's team composed of many capable players, a number of whom received outside recognition. Among them, freshman Bogdan Petkovic was named Collegiate Water Polo Association Southern Division Rookie of the Year. This honor made Petkovic the first Colonial to earn the top rookie honor. In addition, Petkovic made a new school record of 96 steals, breaking the previous 1998 and 2007 high of 89. Sophomore Ridvan Pehlivan started the season late because he in the South of France competing for his native Turkey at the European Under-19 Water Polo Championships. "He had the best experience he can possibly get playing against some of the top players in the world at his age group, players who are going to be representing their countries at future Olympics," said GW Head Coach Scott Reed. "It's pretty amazing to have a player on our team be able to get that experience."

Illes earned notable acknowledgement as well. He was twice named Southern Division Co-Defensive player of the week. The senior goalie wrapped up his outstanding GW career with a school record of 1,061. Illes will be missed along with his senior teammates John Paul Bezerra and Guy Helman.

The top scorers of the year were juniors Daniel Tyner with 51 goals and Nate Little with 50. GW finished the season with an overall record of 12 wins and 16 losses.

Men's Squash







Squash on the Rise

GW men's squash teams sought to increase their rankings within the College Squash Association in the 2012-2013 season.



The men's teams exerted tremendous effort in order to improve their status as a program. To achieve their goal, the teams created a rigorous practice scheduled, played higher ranked teams and enhanced their facilities at the Matthew J. Grossman Squash Courts. The record number of 15 home games played the past season indicated a definite rise in the program because more teams chose to take the trip to Washington in order to play GW.

"It was clearly our most demanding schedule we have ever had," said head coach Wendy Lawrence. "Seventy-five percent of the teams we had scheduled were ranked above us. Our goal was to take on this challenging schedule because it was the only way we were able to move up in the rankings. We decided to take a different approach and add more difficult matches so that we were pushed harder each week." At the start of the season, the Colonials also desired to reach the top-15 of the College Squash Association (CSA). The men's team began the season ranked number 16, their highest national ranking in program history and an improvement from last year's 17th ranked position. Throughout the season the team jumped from rankings between positions 15th and 22nd, and at the close of the year they ranked 20th

In addition, the team qualified to compete in the CSA Team and Individual Championships.

The men's 11-player team graduated four seniors last season: Sam Ehrlich, Islam El-Fiky, Player Haynes, and Omar Sobhy. El-Fiky and Sobhy served as the teams top two players. Sobhy finished team Championships as the all time leader with a total of 58 career wins. Although the top two players said goodbye, a talented young team was in store for the Colonials future.

"Everybody would be back next season," commented Lawrence. "We hoped for a strong recruiting class to add to our returning roster."

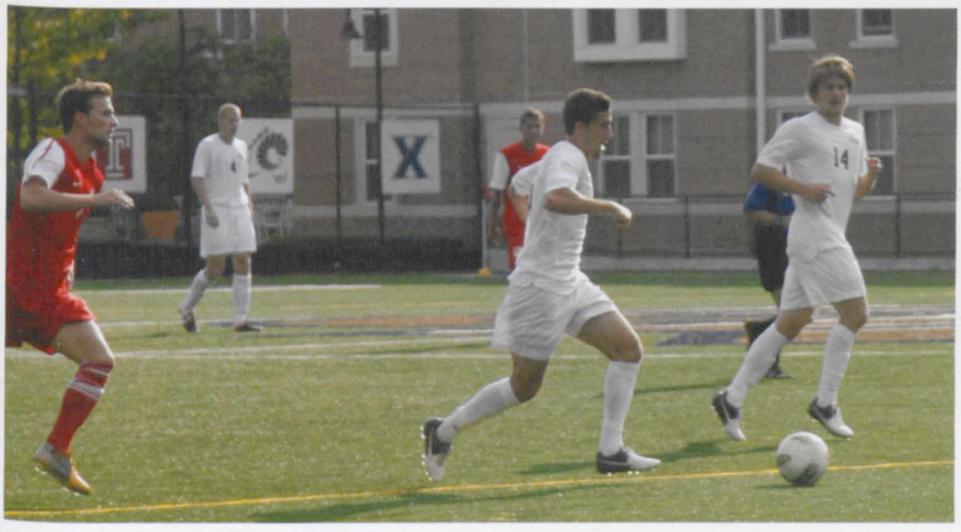



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Men's Soccer







Season of Newcomers

GW men's soccer started strong, but finished behind.

GW kicked off the year with an excellent start. "Our guys were fit and you could tell they were training over the summer," said senior and co-captain Seth Rudolph.

"Everyone looked sharp," he said.

By this time he team had already warmed up to the new head coach Craig Jones, a GW alumnus and an assistant coach for the Colonials for 10 years. Jones proved not to be the only newcomer embraced with welcoming arms. Ten freshmen joined GW as well, creating a 25-player team.

"It's always nice once you recruit guys for two or three years and then when you actually see them on the field at GW. It's a good feeling," Jones said after the first day of practice.

"I thought they looked like part of our returning class," Jones said.

Along with underclassmen players who were strong in numbers and skill, GW had four talented and cherished seniors: goalie Alejandro Almodovar, Rudolph as a forward, midfielder Zach Abaia and defender Daniel Ripperger-Suhler.

The Colonials finished the season with an overall record of five wins and 13 losses. While they won their season opener, GW lost the final game. The team also ended up winning two games against their A-10 opponents and losing seven games.

A notable game from the season was GW's 2-1 victory against A-10 rival Richmond on October 5. It indicated the Colonials first win towards the A-10 championship. Freshman Ross Higgins and junior Bailey Hinners headed both goals into the net. Additional season highlights included first career shutouts by goalies Jean-Pierre van der Merwe against Liberty and Luke Farrell against Rhode Island, Hinners and junior co-captain Tyler Ranalli were named to the D.C. College Cup All-Team Tournament, and Rudolph finished his GW soccer career with a total of 29 goals.

At the start of the year, the team had high hopes for a winning season after their success last year in the Atlantic 10 Championships. Although the Colonials fell short in this aspiration, the team's record did not do justice to their individual accomplishments. Overall the Colonials worked hard and foresaw a better season record in the 2014 season.

Racing High

GW men's swimming swam above and beyond their team goals in the season.



After the following season's close finish at the Atlantic 10 Championships, GW men's swimming began the 2012-years eager to dominate.

"Our ultimate goal was winning A10's," shared junior Niklas Glenesk. "We lost few players, and that combined with great newcomers made for a successful season. By the end of preseason, the team's mentality and intensity was exactly at the level it needed to be."

Though mainly an individual sport, the Colonials highly valued teamwork both in and out of the water.

"Each member of our team came to practice with high expectations, respect for our teammates and determination to succeed," said senior co-captain Stephan Franke. "Success in swimming was only limited by your ability to prepare and we were preparing with the intent of having a historic season. We were all excited to represent GW and continue to stay committed to our excellence."

The 17-member team was made up of mainly upperclassmen, giving the Colonials the advantage of leadership and experience.

Determining meets of the season before the A-10 championships included the Patriot Invitational.

"The Patriot Invitational served as a trial run for the conference championships and it was a good time to see how everyone was feeling thus far into the season," said 15th year Head Coach Dan Rhinehart. The Colonials earned 6th place at the Patriot Invite. Their excellent season set them up for big achievements at the A-10 championship. The men's team placed 4th out of seven teams. For the duration of the four-day championship, GW set 10 new school marks, broke three school records, and sent multiple swimmers to the podium.

The team graduated eight talented swimmers in May, and they looked forward to ruling the pool even further in the upcoming season.



Men's Swimming







Golf

Golfing to Defend

The focus of GW golf's fall and spring season centered on reclaiming their Atlantic 10 Championship title for the second year in a row.

The 2012-2013-golf roster composed of 10 players and headed by fifth year Head Coach Terry Shaffer. The team of 10 included six members from last year's team and four highly praised freshmen. After the team's first-ever Atlantic 10 Championship last year, the GW gold team started off anticipating victorious fall and spring seasons.

"We are excited to get back on the course and show that this team is capable of winning several tournaments," said Shaffer before the season opener in September. "We lost some good players to graduation this spring, but we have filled the void with talented freshmen. I anticipate a very successful fall season."

With the team's overall intent to defend their crown at the 2013 Atlantic 10 Men's Golf Championship for a second consecutive season, the Colonials used the fall season to familiarize the new team with each other, the competition and their strengths and weaknesses.

"I have a lot of faith in the four freshmen, as well as the entire team. When everyone works together and helps each other out, we really are a force to be reckoned with," said Shaffer. "If we can build off of what we learned this fall I know we will be extremely competitive at the conference championship."

By the start of spring season, Shaffer equated the difference in each player's performance from fall to "night and day."

GW traveled to courses in Orlando, FL; the West Coast; Buies Creek, NC; Gadsden, AL; Annapolis, MD; and Coral Springs, FL. They even got the opportunity to play at the Pauma Valley Country Club, one of the top-100 courses in the country and top-10 in California, according to Golf Digest. In fact, the Colonials finished sixth with an impressive 54-hole score of 76-over 928 at the Pauma Valley Country Club.

The Colonials finished tied for seventh out of the 13 teams that competed in the 2013 Atlantic 10 Championships.

After the matches, Shaffer said, "It was great for the team to play some of its best golf of the season in this tournament." The Colonials shot below 300 in each round of the A-10's after doing so only twice during the regular season, and fired their two lowest rounds of the season.

GW said goodbye to seniors Manny Tulumaris and Brennan Wallman, as well as Coach Shaffer.











A New Era

Coached by GW alum and Hall of Fame member, men's baseball demonstrated a season of domination.

The past season saw the hiring of Gregg Ritchie as GW's new head coach. Ritchie, a GW alum from 1986 and a GW Hall of Fame member, previously served as the team hitting coach for major league baseball's Pittsburgh Pirates.

"GW's baseball program has a storied tradition of winning, and in his time as a Colonial, Gregg was certainly a major part of our success," said George Washington Director of Athletics and Recreation Patrick Nero. "Since his graduation he has honed his skills as a tactician, strategist and teacher of the game, and we are extremely fortunate to be able to welcome him back to campus as our head baseball coach."

Over the course of the season, the Colonials hosted 28 games at the fully renovated Barcroft Park in Arlington, VA, as part of its 56-game schedule. The new renovations of Barcroft Park made it one of the top collegiate facilities in the area and in the Atlantic 10 Conference. GW initially began practicing primarily indoors at the auxiliary gym spaces in the Smith Center and concentrated on strength and conditioning in addition to batting practice and bullpen sessions. Scrimmages at the Park started up as soon as the weather permitted. All practices centered on the team's goal, which was to hunt for their first Atlantic 10 Championship since 2006.

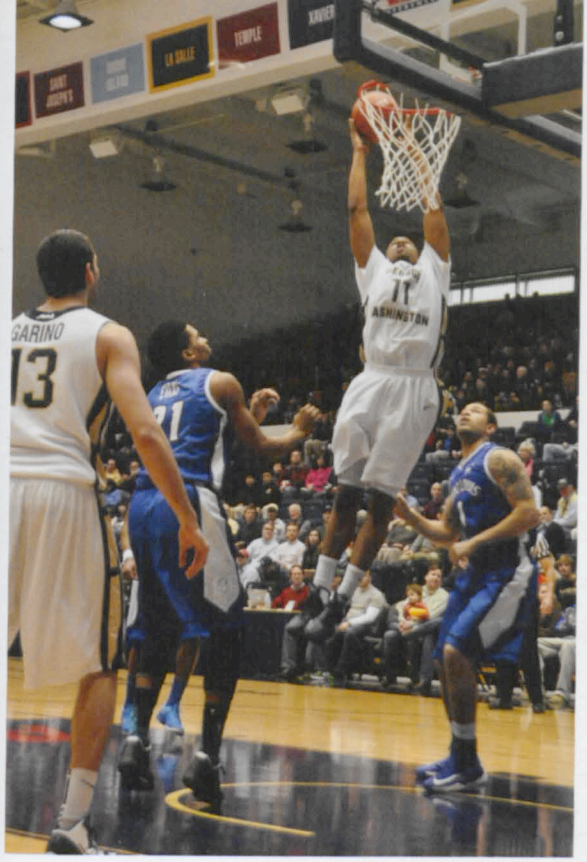
Ritchie's practice routine proved worthy as GW initiated Atlantic 10 Conference play when they swept Massachusetts in a three-game set on March 22nd and March 24th. Additional critical wins during the A-10 series occurred when the Colonials dominated The University of Dayton in the beginning of May. The last of these wins marked GW's tenth conference win.

The Colonials hosted 6 final games before they advanced to the Atlantic 10 Championship in Charlotte, NC. GW's 32-player team graduated 9 seniors. The Greg Ritche era showed a promising future.



Baseball


Men's
Basketball





Raising High

GW fans proudly cheered their men's basketball team all the way to the Barclay Center in Brooklyn, NY, for the Atlantic 10 Championship.

Game days proved to make the most exciting memories of the school year. Students, athletes, faculty and staff filled the streets outside of the Smith Center for pregame BBQs prior to storming the stands with chants of "Let's go G-Dub!" The 2012-2013 Colonials did not let their fans down.

The team's seven returners welcomed six talented newcomers. They had the advantage of getting to know each other as a team both on the court and off the court over a summer trip to Italy.

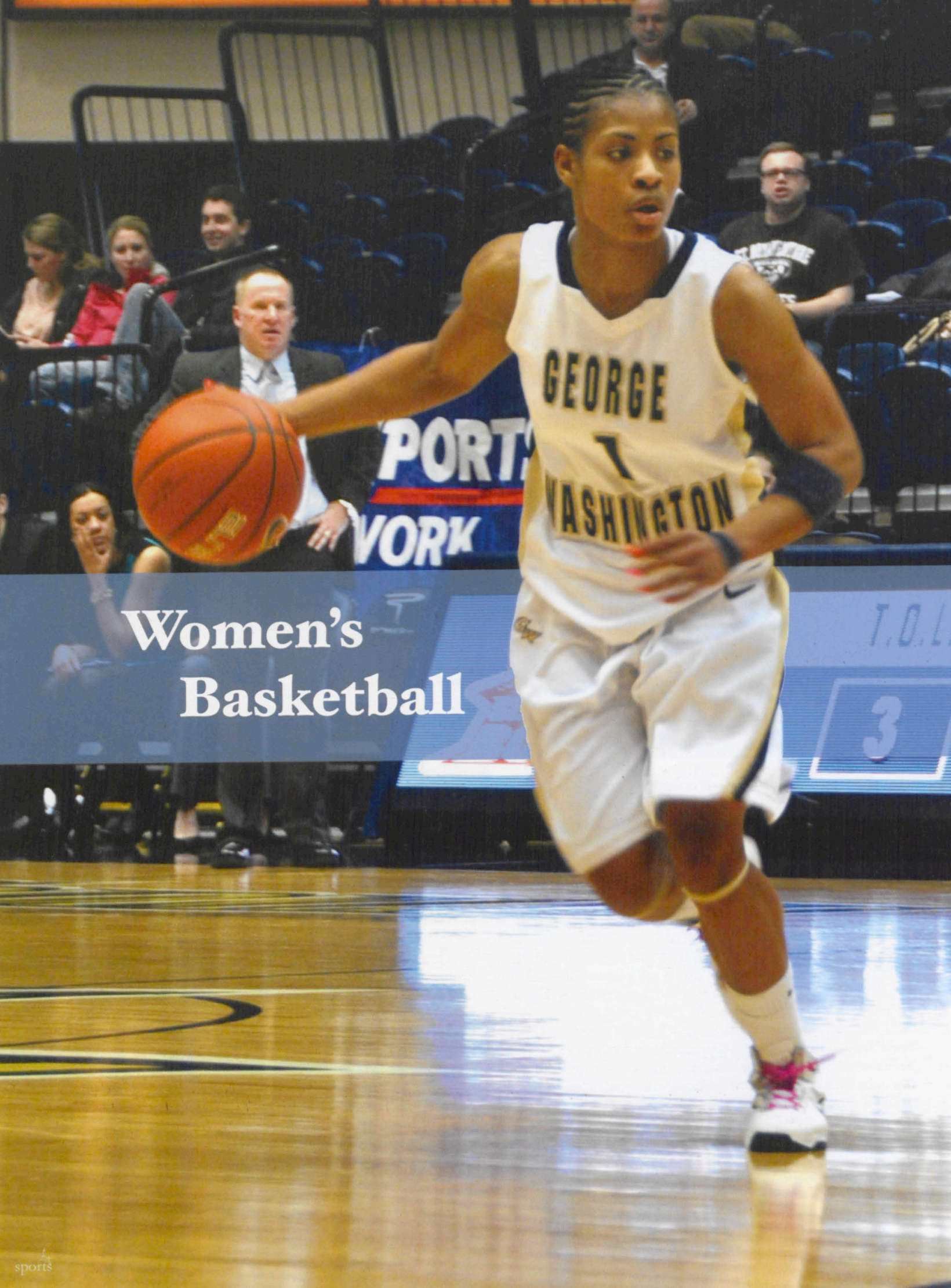
"Overall I think the trip was a great experience for everyone. Learning the culture of Italy and meeting and greeting the people here was a great, once-in-a-lifetime experience that we all got to enjoy together. It gave us a jump start to get to know each other on the court so when we get back to practice we'll know what to do with one another and how each other plays. This trip really helped us as a team and as a unit to get ready for this upcoming season," Bryan Bynes, senior guard, refleced.

By the start of the season, men's basketball was well equipped with the talent, depth, chemistry and enthusiasm to reach their goal of making it to the Atlantic 10 Championship. Headed by Coach Mike Lonergan, GW completed the season with an overall record of 13-17, a conference record of 7-9, and made it to the first round of the A-10 tournament. The scoreboard showed that the majority of the team's games were never lost by around more than three or five points, leaving fans on the edge of their seats during play-by-play determining games.

A season highlights included the Colonials' March 9 home game against Dayton that qualified them for the A-10. This 81-80 overtime win allowed senior Lasan Kromah to became the 44th member of GW's 1,000-point club, gave Coach Lonergan his 400th victory in his 20-year career, and made ESPN Sport Center's Top 10 plays at number five. Senior and transfer Isaiah Armwood tipped a dunk with 2.4 seconds remaining in over time to secure the victory.

GW lost to University of Massachusetts 77-72 at the first round of the A-10 Championship. It was a back-to-forth battle where neither team led by more than five points. The Colonials accomplished a season-high 50 rebounds, four short of the A-10 Championship mark set by Temple in 1996.

GW said goodbye to seniors Bynes and Dwayne Smith. Though the players will be greatly missed the team looks ahead to another memorable year of improvements.



Women's Basketball





Major Hoops

The women's basketball team's talent, hard work and dedication enabled them to achieve their goal, which was playing in postseason at the Atlantic 10 conference.

Under their new coach, Jonathan Tsipis, GW's women's basketball team completed the 2012-2013 season with an overall record of 14-16. Tsipis made it his mission to prepare the team to dominate in conference and in postseason. He had the experience to coach the Colonials to the Atlantic 10 conference, considering he used to be assistant coach at Notre Dame, which went to national championships in 2011 and 2012. In addition to Tsipis' highly equipped coaching skills, he was lucky to be given the opportunity to work with the driven roster of women. The team consisted of four returning starters, eight letter-winners from last season's roster and four freshmen. Tsipis was thrilled with the enthusiasm and cooperation the team demonstrated.

"I think a big part of what we were trying to do was getting everybody to buy in and understand that we've got to get better on a daily basis," said Tsipis. "I think from everything basketball-wise, to a leadership standpoint, to how we conduct ourselves in the weight room and conditioning, to the classroom, everything has been set at a higher expectation because of the great tradition that we've had in GW women's basketball."

A key variable in the team's impressive season was their great drive to win. They knew they desired victories and they knew their coach equally craved them.

"Coach Tsipis was very intense; he really expected 100 percent out of us and he wasn't going to take any less, so he's really pushing us to try our best in every drill and every play," fifth-year senior Sarah Mostafa said. Mostafa, along with fellow graduate students Tara Booker and Brooke Wilson acted and played as great leaders for the team, although a knee injury prevented Wilson from playing for the majority of the year.

A highlight of the season included the Colonials making their 31st appearance in the A-10 championship. GW obtained a 59-53 win over Richmond in the first round of the championship at the Michael J. Hagan '85 Arena on the campus of Saint Joseph's University. This victory was the first win the women's team had in any A-10 game since 2008.

The season concluded in the second game of the conference against Dayton. In this last game, Booker ended her basketball career at GW with 12 points, eight rebounds and three blocks; she ranked 19th all-time at GW with 1,180 points and sixth with 814 rebounds. This was also the last GW game attended by Mostafa and Wilson. The Colonials looked ahead to a year of more improvements under the guidance of Tsipis.







They've Got Soul

The success of GW's gymnastics team's 4th place finish in the East Atlantic Gymnastics League was measured by talent, leadership, cohesion and, most importantly, soul.

The 2013 roster consisted of 13 returning letter winners and three freshmen. Head coach Margie Foster-Cunningham recognized the trio of seniors Kayla Carto, Stephanie Stoicovy and Nefertiti Roy as the leaders who would motivate the entire team to regionals. Individual success aside, the season was planned around steps that would ultimately send the entire roster to the NCAA regionals for the first time since 2002.

"Our major goal was to make it to NCAA Regionals as a team," said Coach Foster-Cunningham during preseason. "We send more individuals to regionals than any other team in the country and we were tired of that. We wanted the whole team to be represented there. We were right on the verge of being able to do that. The girls were ready to compete hard and we were putting the people in the right places to succeed. Everything we were doing was in preparation to qualify for regionals."

After a strong preseason, which brought cohesion to the team, junior Betsy Zander declared, "We would be there [at NCAA regionals] at the end of the year."

GW kicked off their 2013 season off to an amazing start after they hosted and won the sixth annual Lindsey Ferris Invitational. The win marked the first time the Colonials won their home opening event since 2002. Senior Stephanie Stoicovy won the all-around crown at the invite for the second year in a row. The most memorable aspect of the event was the soulful attitude and atmosphere it fostered. The invite, named in memory of a former GW gymnast who passed away in January 2006, embodied the spirit of gymnastics as a sport.

"There was so much pride in being on the floor for the Lindsey Ferris Invitational," Coach Foster-Cunningham said. "It was a great environment for us to start strong."

"To be out on the floor honoring her was such a great experience," Carto said.

After 11 meets, the team finished 4th out of eight schools in the East Atlantic Gymnastics League, a major improvement from their 7th place finish in 2012. Their score of 194.750 just barely missed their goal, a team regionals bid. Carto, Stoicovy, Roy, Zander, Kenney, Henderson and Corcoran were the seven gymnasts who qualified to compete at the Gainesville Regional at the University of Florida. The team bid goodbye to their three treasured seniors and would continue to work toward their team regional goal in the upcoming season.



Gymnastics



Women's Lacrosse







A Valient Fight

GW women's lacrosse team harnessed a depth of all–around talent that steered them into another round of the Atlantic 10 championships.

The Colonials returned to the GW lacrosse field on the Mount Vernon Campus for practice in January following a fall season that gave them the opportunity to play together in a number of exhibition games.

"It felt really good to be back on the field and working together as a team," said sixth-year head coach Tara Hannaford. "We have a young team this year, but a lot of great leadership. We were looking forward to getting the season going and proving ourselves on the field."

GW returned 15 players from the 2012 team, as well as welcomed eight newcomers. Once again, their goal was to return to the Atlantic 10 Championship.

The close-knit team of 24 players supplied a depth of talent from class year.

"Overall I think we've got someone in each class that's going to really make an impact on our team, contribute and step up to leadership roles," said Hannaford.

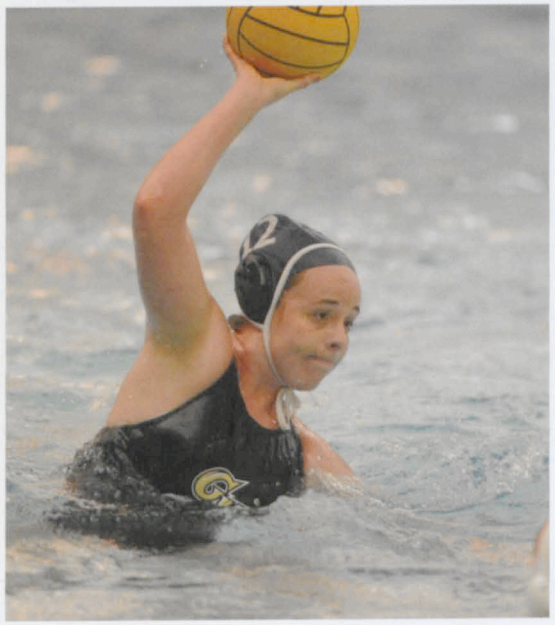
Out of the 17 games played, GW hosted 10 of them, the most home games ever in program history. With the team's desire to make it to the A-10 Championship, a high number of home games proved to be advantageous as the team won six out of 10 contests. In addition to having ensured the home field advantage, the Colonials took on a challenging schedule and worked tirelessly through practices in order to accomplish their Championship goal.

"The A-10 Championship was tough and nerve-wracking and it was a great atmosphere to play lacrosse in," Hannaford said. "Every conference game was competitive because everyone wants to reach the championship. With the schedule we had put together, I believed we would be prepared to face any team."

After a 12-8 victory against Saint Joseph's wrapped up the regular season and earned the team a bid to the Atlantic 10 championship, and following a 4-3 conference record, GW entered the championship ranked fourth. The Colonials season officially ended with a 13-5 loss against Massachusetts in the semifinals of the A-10.

The team said goodbye to senior Nicole Lacey, who became the fifth-ever Colonial player to reach 100 career goals this season. The Colonials also graduated three more outstanding seniors: Jess Hicks, Caitlyn O'Brien and Soo Mee Yoon. Given their young team, GW looked ahead to a great 2014 season.





Water Polo for the Win

GW women's water polo team completed a fun and challenging 2013 season.

The 2013 GW women's water polo team was made up of 18 players. They finished their season with an overall record of 16-7, its most wins since 2004.

"The team came back in good shape, and at each practice that we've had, they've put out a lot of effort," 14th-year head coach Scott Reed said. "We have a majority of the team returning, so I was looking forward to building on that foundation."

The Colonials return three of their top four scorers, including junior Rachael Bentley, who set single-season program records with 99 points and 50 assists in 2012, as well as classmate and 50-goal scorer Katherine Berry. They played in four tournaments and hosted three matches as part of their 27-game season.

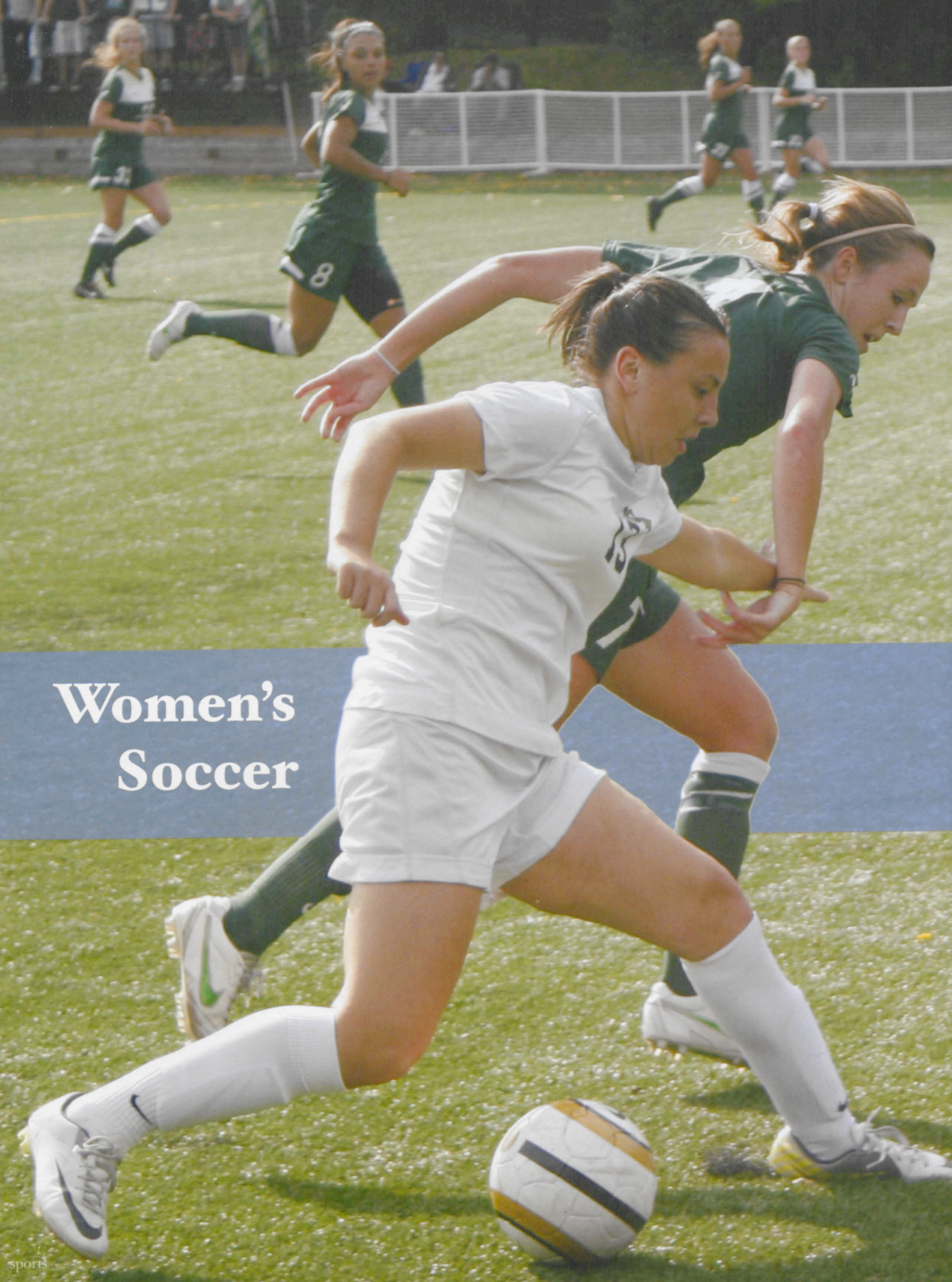
"This was probably one of our most difficult schedules to date," Coach Reed said. "Starting off the season against California was the first of many challenges the team faced this season."

One of the most exciting games of the season was the final match, which caused GW to place eighth at the Collegiate Water Polo Association Eastern Championships. The Colonials fell to Bucknell 6-7 at the final minute. The game began with a back-and-forth opening half. By halftime Bucknell held a 4-3 lead. The fourth quarter of the game included an intense rally until Bucknell knotted the score at 6-6 with under three minutes left in the game. Within a minute GW was called for an ejection allowing Bucknell to go on a power play, leaving GW little opportunities to score more goals.

GW only graduated one senior, Jessie Hurd. The Colonials looked ahead to a successful year, as the majority of their players would return.



Women's Water Polo



Women's Soccer







Home Field Advantage

GW women's soccer season faced multiple defeats away, but were victorious on their home field. GW's women soccer team began and ended the season on high notes.

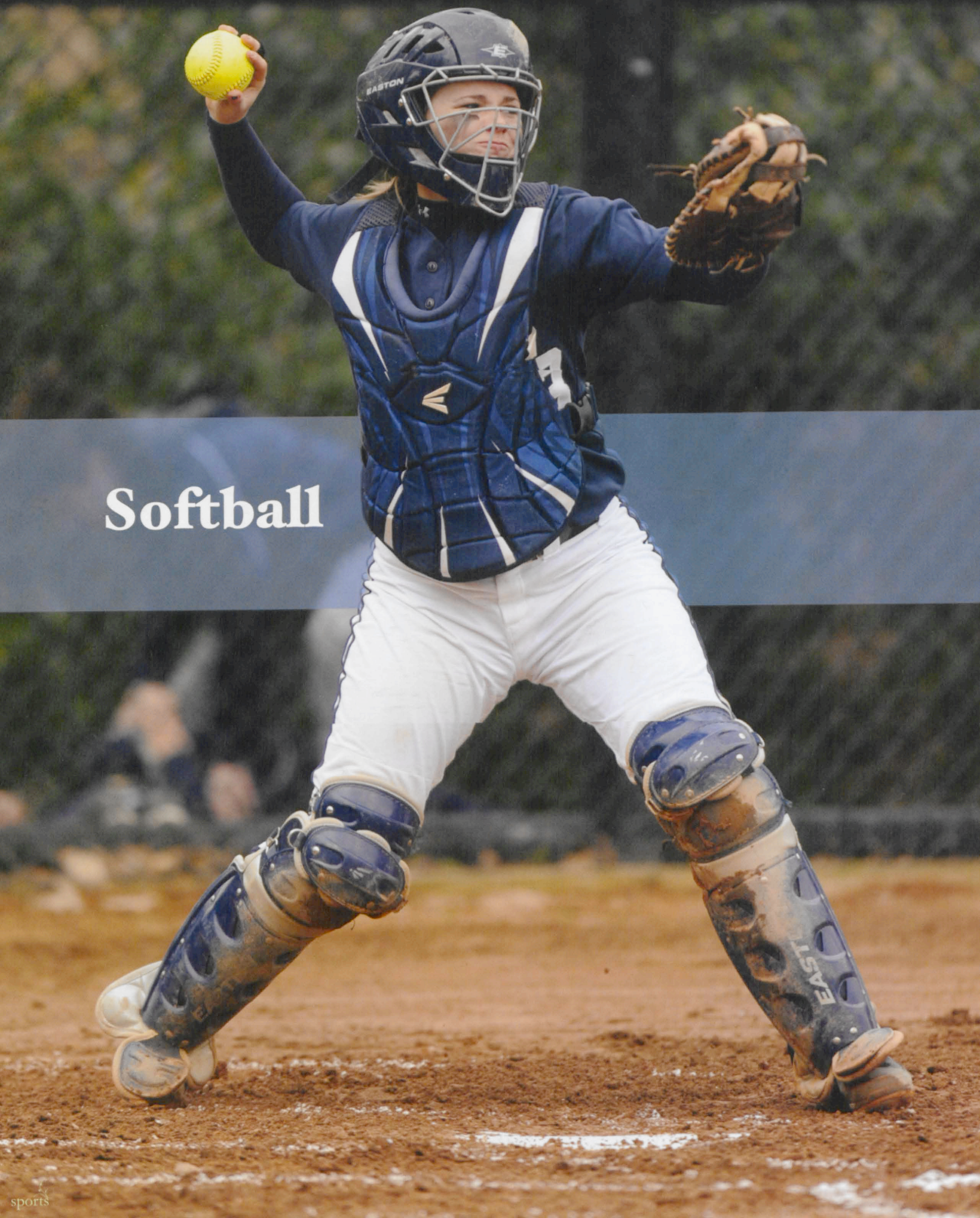
The Colonials welcomed the first year Head Coach Sarah Barnes to the team. Barnes came well equipped with experience as a player, a coach and a recruiter. Her resume additionally included two years of working with the Region I Staff for the Olympic Development Program, where Barnes coached under-14 and under-16 age groups. Barnes' fresh expertise both on and off the field coupled with the girls' skill and enthusiasm paved the way for a season of improvement. The team's victories and defeats taught them that they worked together best with simple passes and an aggressive offense. These were key strategies that the team focused on and worked to master throughout the course of the year.

The Colonials kicked off their season strong on Sept. 1 by beating Columbia 1-0 at their home opener at the GW soccer field on the Mt. Vernon campus. By the end of September the team had won their first three games and tied one game on the Vern field, earning them an undefeated record at home. "I think that any time you have a strong record at home you feel like you can be competitive in every game that you play there and I think that gave the team a lot of confidence," Barnes said.

The team then faced a rough losing streak when they entered the Atlantic 10 Conference. The Colonials lost the first eight of nine conference games. They closed the season on a great note at home when the girls shot a 4-1 win against St. Louis. This game was their first win in the Atlantic 10, the team's senior night, and the season finale. "We finished on goal today and that is what we have been working on all season, getting the ball in the net," Barnes said. "I was so happy we could get this win for our seniors and close the season on a high note."

Noted highlights of the season included the girls' 2-1 victory against Towson on Sept. 7. At the time, this put the Colonials record at 3-2, the best start to a GW women's soccer season since 2007. Another honored achievement was when freshman midfielder Kristi Abbate was named to the Atlantic 10 All-Rookie Team by the league's coaches. Senior Adriana Moya, Abbate and junior Alex Neal led the team in goals over the course of the season. Combined, the three players made 10 goals and took 89 shots.

GW women's soccer season held an overall record of five wins, 12 losses and one tie. They bid farewell to four seniors and expected a successful year to come.



Softball





Breaking Records

The GW women's softball team's triumphant season rightfully honored softball's tenth year as a university program.

GW's 16-player women's softball team, headed by coach Stacey Schramm, celebrated its 10-year anniversary as a GW program. The team proved the program's success through their 26-22 overall record and a spot in the Atlantic 10 Championships. The 26 wins broke last year's record of 25.

Predicted to finish third in the Atlantic 10 preseason poll, the Colonials returned 14 letter winners from last season's squad. They began their year strong with a rigorous practice and training schedule as well as tough competition in order to dominate in the championships.

"The strength of our February tournament schedule will provide us a quick test, as those opponents will be among our toughest competition throughout the season," Schramm said.

GW faced a daunting non-conference slate against the likes of Penn State, Virginia, St. John's and Iowa State at early tournaments.

"It's going to really test us and allow us to feel comfortable when we play those types of teams in the future," Schramm said.

The challenging early season paid off. One of the year's highlights included a 12 game winning streak between April 6th and April 24th. In addition, a program-record six George Washington softball student-athletes were named to Atlantic 10 All-Conference teams. The six honorees became the most-ever in the softball program's history; the previous high was four in 2008.

The Colonials bid goodbye to seniors Tara Fogarty, Julie Orlandi, Kristi Saporito, Autumn Taylor and Amanda Zakeri. The team foresaw another exciting year to come.





Squash in the Making

GW's women's squash team sought and rightfully earned recognition as a talented opponent.



Women's Squash

GW women's squash opened the season with a winning mentality. After coming off their second College Squash Association Walker Cup (C-Division) Championship in three years, the team was prepared to dominate and move up the ladder within the College Squash Association. The team gratefully welcomed newly upgraded facilities at the Matthew J. Grossman Squash Courts at Lerner Health & Wellness Center that included bleacher style seating and a flashy electronic scoreboard. In addition to improved equipment, the Colonials added five talented freshmen to their team, which marked the largest recruiting class in program history.

Head coach Wendy Lawrence created a challenging, yet beneficial schedule for her team that included eight matches against teams that finished in the top-15 of the College Squash Association end-of-season rankings, including four of the top five teams. The team of 14 players had the attitude, talent and determination to confront the difficult competitors.

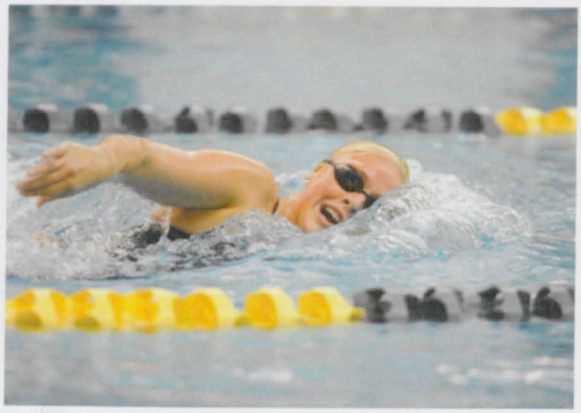
Women's squash entered into the season ranked 16th, and improved two places at the season's end, ranked 14th. They reached an overall record of 11 wins and nine losses. Six of the seven home games the team played proved to be victories.

"I was very proud of these girls and the fact they will be leaving here ranked No. 14 in the country," said Lawrence. "A three-spot improvement compared to last year in these rankings was a remarkable accomplishment."

The women's squash team had no seniors. The trio of juniors, Jackie Shea, Kelly Barnes and Maya Nair skillfully headlined the roster instead. With the advantage of not losing any players, the team looked ahead to an even better season.







Splash of Success

Women's Swimming

GW's women's swimming completed a successful year and postseason with a rookie team composed of only freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.



The Colonials only lost two swimmers to graduation last spring, and 14 competitors from last season's roster returned to the team, none of who were seniors. Juniors Lindsay Moore and Caroline Myers and sophomore Janica Lee assumed leading roles among the team. In addition, GW welcomed seven newcomers. Despite the youth on the squad, Head Coach Dan Rhinehart knew each swimmer had the aptitude to approach every competition ready to win.

"The members of the team might be young in age, but they have a lot of experience," said Rhinehart. "Everyone is very supportive of one another and they push each other to compete at the highest level. Age is not a factor for this team and everyone has the desire to win."

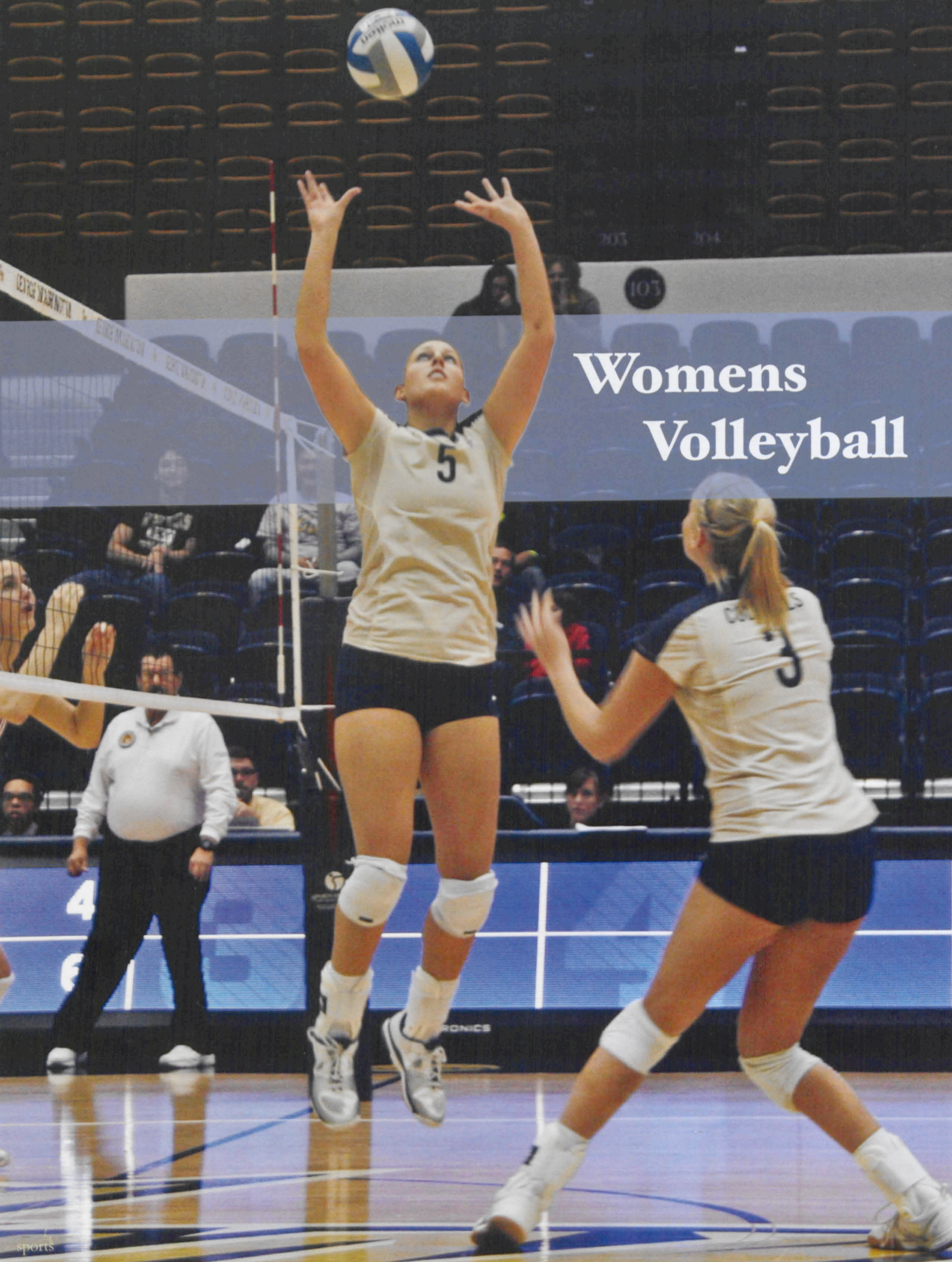
Teamwork proved to be a value aspect to the 21-player swim team. "We are extremely excited for this season as we had a wonderful group of women on our team. We were not only a determined and dedicated group of swimmers, but we are also a united and supportive team that would only grow as the season progresses. Everyone was dedicated to the same goal of constantly improving and we were looking forward to what we can accomplish at the Atlantic 10 Championships," junior co-captain of the women's team, Taylor Cole, said.

The Colonial's victorious performance at the Georgetown meet and the Patriot Invite, two vital meets, determined the team's readiness for the Atlantic 10 Championship.

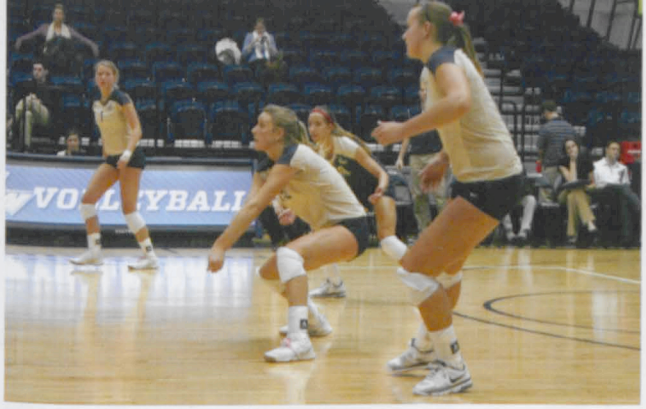
"Georgetown was such a heated rivalry and it was never hard to get the teams to get up and go after the Hoyas." True to their desire for success, the colonials beat Georgetown 147-146. The women's team also finished 3rd place at Patriot Invite.

Their performance at the A-10 Conference summed up the women's team's winning season. They came in 5th out of 11 teams and set 10 new GW records.

"Words can't describe how happy I am with the performances over the past few days," said Rhinehart. "We looked to get better every day and we proved we can do just that."



Womens Volleyball





Dig Central

Co-Captain Candace Silva-Martin earned sole possession of the Atlantic-10 career digs record during the George Washington Women's Volleyball team 2012 season.

GW women's volleyball finished the 2012 season with an overall record of 10-18 and a 7-7 record in the A-10 conference. The team welcomed back second-year Head Coach Amanda Ault, along with 10 returners and four impressive freshmen. The Colonials chose to direct their focus on a strict strengthening and practice schedule in order to set up a platform to improve the Colonials record for the future. "Last year we started off 10-10, which was great, but I think that our expectations this year, as our preseason has become more demanding and the strength of the schedule has increased, its was a challenge for us," Ault said.

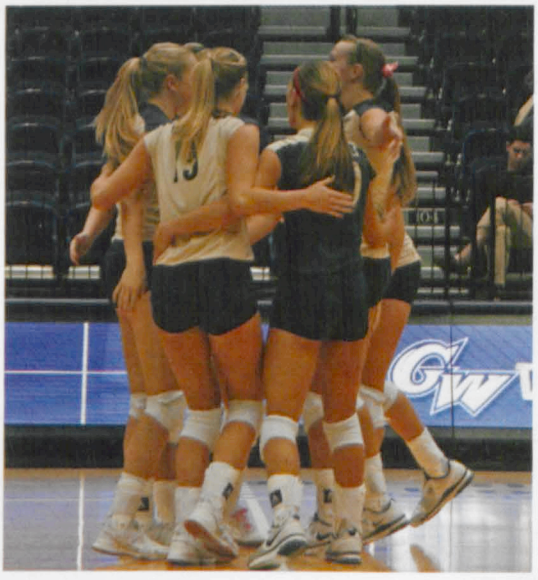
"But it's something we decided needed to be done in order to take the next step as a program," Ault continued.

Co-captains and seniors, Silva-Martin and Lauren Whyte, along with fellow senior Christie Garf, practiced diligently to improve the team's performance. Their hard work paid off. As the season progressed, so did GW's defensive attack effort. In October the team gradually increased their season-high team blocks from 11 to 13, and finally to 15 team blocks. Multiple players additionally established match-high digs and kills.

Silva-Martin ended her GW career as the holder of the A-10 career digs record with a total of 2,126 digs. Both Silva-Martin and Whyte were named to the A-10 All-Academic Team. In addition Whyte totaled 1,625 kills by the end of her career, which ranked her second in GW history for kills. She averaged 3.94 kills per set and made 382 kills the 2012 season. All three seniors will be missed next year.

One of the highlights of this season was the GW/Nike Invitational hosted in the Smith Center September 14-15. GW finished the tournament with a 1-2 record. They rallied against New Hampshire with final set scores of 23-25, 25-17, 25-22, 25-20. This was one of Whyte's best career matches as she made 27 kills, 6 digs, two blocks assists and one ace.

GW ended the 2012 season one step closer to establishing a high-ranked name for themselves and the program.



Power to the Club

GW club sports provided students the opportunity to compete in the games they loved at the collegiate level

The 1,000 students that participated in club sports made it a big part of the university's community. The 28 sports established were impressively all student-initiated, run, and organized through the Center for Student Engagement and the Office of Campus Recreation. Open to all students, club sports offered athletes the experience of playing and mastering a variety of sports throughout college, meeting life long teammates and friends and a fun break from rigorous class schedules.

"I became a better person by being a part of a club sport and it was a community that was really tight," said Chloe Rome, a member of the women's rugby team.

Apart from multiple practices during the week, athletes involved in club sports committed their time to balancing team budgets, buying equipment, creating schedules and sorting out the nuts and bolts necessary to run a team. The overall dedication GW athletes put into their club sports taught them the valuable lesson of responsibility.

"I think for any athlete, especially at the collegiate level, the things that you learned as an athlete and that you practiced everyday just impacted the rest of your life," Athletic Director Patrick Nero said. "There were skills that you developed as a student athlete over a four-year period that once you're out of college you really can take advantage of them." GW student athletes proudly represented the Colonials through their participation in club sports this year.

"The best part about playing club sports at this university was the ability to represent my school in athletic competitions all across the East Coast," ice hockey player Sam Hobert said. "Whether its UMD, UVA or Duke, as soon as I stepped onto the ice I had great pride in wearing the buff and blue."





Club sports members played within the East Coast area at competitive, recreational and instructional participation levels. The teams at GW in 2013 included:

- Aikido (Japanese martial arts)
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Cross country
- Cycling
- Equestrian
- Fencing
- Field hockey
- Golf
- Ice hockey
- JKA karate
- Kendo (Japanese fencing)
- Lacrosse
- Polo
- Racquetball
- Rugby
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming
- Tae Kwon Do
- Table tennis
- Tennis
- Triathlon
- Ultimate frisbee
- Volleyball
- Water polo
- Weight lifting








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Beyond the Game

GW athletes proved their true sportsmanship by exceeding their 4,500 required hours of community service.

The notion of community service had long been surrounded by many definitions. Some of these definitions included voluntary work intended to be for the common good, actions done to give back to the community and deeds designed to improve the quality of life for those individuals who most need and deserve attention. Philanthropy referred to the goodwill and active efforts to promote human well-being. George Washington student athletes earned the reputation of being philanthropic individuals devoted to community service. Without a doubt, GW athletes' commitment to serve others followed in the footsteps of the university's namesake.

GW was the only school in the country that has required its student athletes to serve 4,500 hours of community service each year, according to Athletic Director Patrick Nero. By the end of September the Colonials already completed over 1,200 of their hours. The 23 varsity sports thrived in making a difference in the lives of others. All teams established lasting relationships with countless non-profit organizations and continued to reach out to new service groups as well.

The GW gymnastics team volunteered with the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's annual "Light the Night" event for more than four years. "They recognize our name and always welcome us back when we ask if we can volunteer," senior Stephanie Stoicory said.

"Light the Night" takes place each fall and consisted of a fundraising walk where walkers who raise more than $100 for the society received a glowing balloon that they held above their heads while walking. The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society distributed funds made to cancer research efforts.

This year the Gymnastics Team ran the event's Kid Zone. The Colonials entertained children with games, Dance Dance Revolution, bracelet-making and spin art. The team thoroughly enjoyed working with the children and looked forward to continuing their tradition with "Light the Night."

The women's water polo team newly discovered KEEN, Kids Enjoying Exercise Now. KEEN worked to provide recreational activities for children and young adults with physical disabilities. Senior polo player Jessica Hurd founded the organization in 2012 and arranged for the team to volunteer with KEEN. "We wanted to do something sports-related and KEEN had a really cool program where we got to make a difference and have fun at the same time," Hurd said.

On Oct. 13, the water polo team went to Georgetown Preparatory school in Rockville, Md. The girls were each partnered with a KEEN athlete and spent an hour or so with them in the pool, warming them up to the water, teaching them how to blow bubbles and playing games with them.

"As an athlete, I was absolutely moved by the pure joy these kids got from just being in the water, and it helped reinvigorate my own love for water polo," freshman Caroline Sandri said. The team intended to swim with their KEEN athletes monthly.



The GW volleyball team donated some of their time to World War II veterans at the Washington monuments, an event in which both parties were equally moved. The team's Head Coach Amanda Ault coordinated with HFN, the Honor Flight Network, to allow the team to accompany war veterans to visit the World War II Memorial for the first time in their lives.

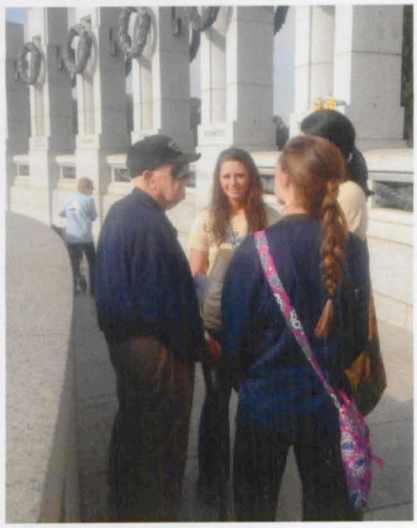
At 8:45 on a Saturday morning, the volleyball team greeted five busses filled with retired war heroes. The girls listened to













wartime stories, entertained their guests with DC sights and bowed their heads in prayer in front of the monument as the veterans remembered their friends and fellow soldiers who lost their lives in the war.

"As a coach, those moments when you get to watch your players impact the lives of others, that's what it's all about," Ault said. "That's a memory I'll keep with me forever. I'm proud of our team and the way they represented GW volleyball."

The athletic department recognized the necessity for GW athletes to partake in deeds of community service. In 2012, the department began handing out the Community Service of the Month award to the student athlete that led by example and most impacted the GW and D.C. communities through service.

Mahatma Gandhi once said, "You must be the change you wish to see in the world." GW athletes proved to be making change in the world through their active dedication to community service.



First Lady Seniors

Bailey Buchman, Fendi Liu and Alina Urbanic dedicated their free time at GW as members of the First Ladies. Although many fans knew them for their game day performances, there was much more to be said about being a GW dancer. "My favorite part of being on the First Ladies was always the team. Being part of a team defined my college experience," said Buchman as she recalled the best part of being a First Lady. Buchman, an Oregon native, was hard to miss on the court. With her bright blonde curls and enthusiastic demeanor, she brought a special kind of energy to the game day experience. When asked about the game day experience, she had this to say: "You can feel the excitement of the players and it is impossible to not get caught in the game." Upon graduation, Buchman planned to teach secondary science in Oklahoma City with Teach for America.

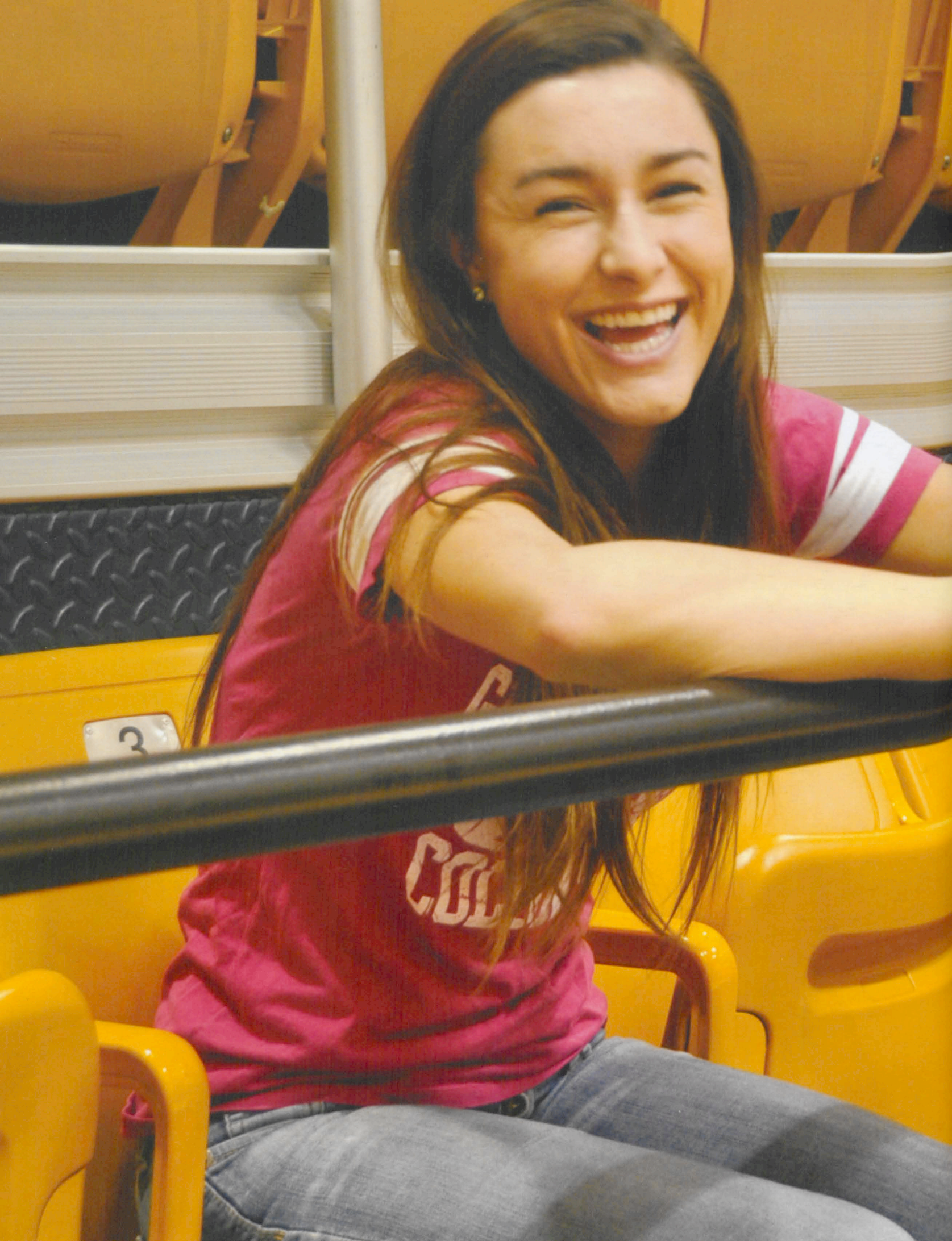
Being a First Lady was more than just dance. It was a way of life, and Alina Urbanic certainly embodied that. "Being a First Lady involves holding yourself to higher standards,



for dance but also for academics, service, appearance and personal health," she said about her experience on the team. While participating as a member of the team, Urbanic also worked for the Sports Marketing Department, doing her part to Raise High the Buff and Blue. Her facial expressions on game day were just as contagious as the energy from the crowd, and her love of dance was apparent in every performance. Urbanic planned to serve as Peace Corps volunteer after graduation.

Spending four years on the dance team was rare, but Fendi Liu did just that. Liu joined the team because of her love of dance and competition. Her favorite memories of the team included making it into finals at the Universal Dance Association dance nationals in Orlando, Florida her sophomore year. "We had 3 vets and 13 rookies. It was a surprise, but it made giving up our Christmas break to practice 8 hours a day worth it," she remembered fondly. Her cool confidence and bubbly personality shined through on game days, a definite crowd pleaser. She planned to do marketing for a consumer goods company after finishing up at GW.

Each of them was going in vastly different directions, but one thing would always keep them connected: Once a First Lady, always a First Lady.



Tessa Bay

Preserve, Protect & Defend

Colonial Army Co-President

Upon the selection process for the future leaders of GW's Colonial Army, there was no doubt in anyone's minds that Tessa Bay would be the perfect candidate for a presidential position. Her involvement on GW's campus since her freshmen year in 2011 had been phenomenal. The native Alaskan became a sister in the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, actively participated in GW's College Democrats group, joined the Colonial Army in 2012, and was recently elected as the political affairs director for the College Democrats. Bay's obvious commitment to the university reflected her shining school spirit. She bled Buff and the Blue.

As the upcoming co-president for the Colonial Army, Bay spent the remaining months of the school year meeting with student fans, athletes, the athletic director Patrick Nero and alumni in order to secure increased school spirit in the years to come. Bay commented that she first joined the Colonial Army because she was proud to be a Colonial and wanted to offer her support to all of GW's athletics teams.

"Colonial Army was GW's loudest, craziest, most devoted fan group," Bay said. "I couldn't think of a more appropriate way to represent our school then by packed stadiums that cheered on the athletes who proudly wore our colors."

Bay proved to be a firm believer in the notion of self-promoted change. She truly embodied one of her favorite quotes by idol John F. Kennedy: "If not now when, if not us who?"

Bay's lifestyle involved being the change seen in the world. A huge example of this was revealed through her work with the Florida sector of the organization Organizing for Action. Bay spent the first semester of her sophomore year in Florida working for OFA. She explained OFA as a nonprofit organization established to support President Obama in the 2012 elections. OFA also advocated gun control, sensible environmental policies to address climate change and immigration reform.

"Working for the Obama campaign was one of the most exhilarating experiences of my life," Bay said. "Sure, I never slept, ate dinner at three in the morning and saw the same 20 faces every day for five months. But I loved every bit of it. The people I worked with became my family, and the causes we were committed to were held dear to all of our hearts."

Bay called her time with OFA "surreal." Her transition back to GW in January 2013 proved difficult, but she noted hints of "surrealness" in the passion produced by the student body at sporting events.

"Being front row at major basketball games, surrounded by fellow students all rooting for GW made me feel like I was a part of something bigger," Bay said. "I think the Colonial Army was so important because it fostered the school spirit that made up the backbone of GW."

In the upcoming school years, Bay desired to heighten GW spirit by breaking down barriers between athletes and fans. She planned to unite GW athletes with the Colonial Army in a way that created ultimate dedication to the university and all that it stood for. Next year Bay intended to head the Colonial Army as co-president, instilling in all undying love for the school.

"Hail to the Buff and Blue," Bay shouted.

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Steven Knapp

Leading Role in the Theater of History

From the start of his tenure in 2007 to the Class of 2013's senior year, President Steven Knapp watched the students of the George Washington University tell their stories, all the while creating a story of his own as the University's 16th president. As the 2012-2013 academic year came to a close, the Cherry Tree sat down with President Knapp to ask what he saw as the guiding narratives of past six years, the most interesting stories of the previous year and the story he hoped to tell as the University looked forward to the future.

Cherry Tree: The theme of this year's book is "the stories we told." What do you view as the overarching story that GW students leave behind when they graduate?

President Knapp: I've been impressed since I arrived here by what I would call the entrepreneurial energy of our students and their passion for service. Those start to come together with the interest in social entrepreneurship that's become a real hallmark of a lot of students across the country, but especially here at George Washington. It really is a pervasive culture of wanting to make a difference to others and wanting to succeed yourself academically and in your future career.

Cherry Tree: What story would you hope to leave behind in your tenure as president?

President Knapp: I think it's a story of a university that's moving in a way that's stronger than ever into its third century. Everything that I'm doing is preparing for that transition, which has a lot to do with the aspirations that we share collectively across our university community to become a truly world-class research university, which will have strengths in all the fields in which we're active, but also will really be a place that draws people from around the world who are interested in the themes of our strategic plan: globalization, policy and governance; service and leadership, which goes all the way back to the vision of our namesake, George Washington, when he wanted to create a university that would be located in the nation's capital and educate a core citizen leadership for the new country; and innovation through interdisciplinary collaboration.

Cherry Tree: Are there any events or occurrences from this past year that you would like to highlight as a distinctly GW story?

President Knapp: Of course we had the Presidential Inauguration, and when that happens, we have by far the largest student-centered Inaugural Ball. That's a pretty spectacular event and students really seem to me to be enjoying it because it is a chance to celebrate our democracy. It was a sign of the coming together of our university community around an important historic moment in the life of the nation.

As we usually do, we've had a parade of significant speakers come to campus. We've had two Supreme Court justices, both Scalia and Sotomayor. We had an address by the first lady—the keynote and closing session of a symposium for the Partnership for a Healthier America, in which she opened her speech by talking about the work we do in the field of public health, focusing on issues like childhood obesity with our public health faculty and students. We like to talk about how we provide our students with a front row seat in the theater of history, and that is one of many examples that you can cite.



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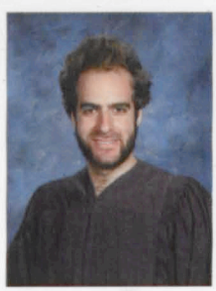




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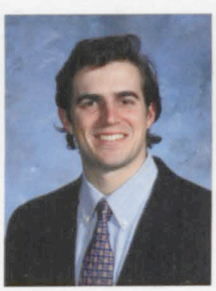
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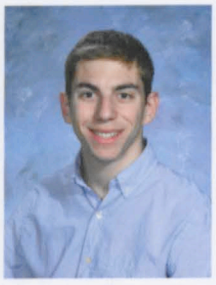






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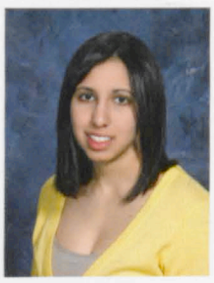




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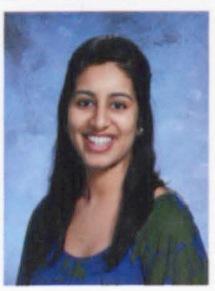






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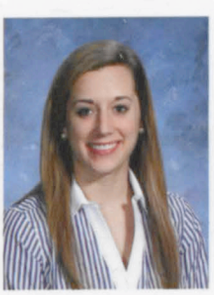
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The Class of 2013 celebrated commencement

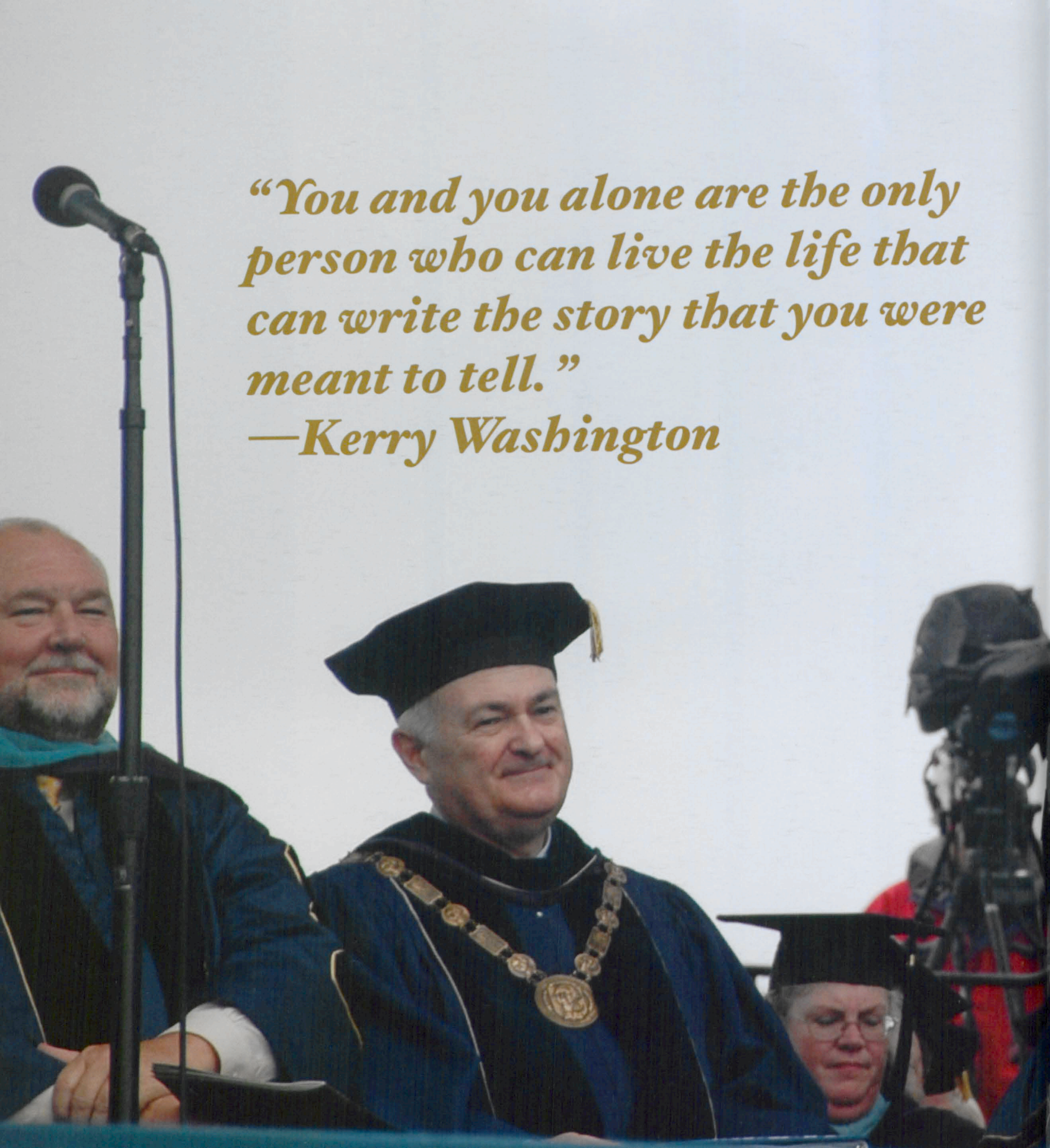
When classes ended and all final exams and papers were turned in, the Class of 2013 kicked off a week of festivities to commemorate four years of hard work and achievement. Starting on Sunday, May 12, Grad Week was comprised of events on and beyond campus, including Colonial Quest, a trip to Atlantic City and a champagne toast. During the week, seniors celebrated their graduation with their friends before heading off to new jobs, new schools and, in some cases, new countries. On Thursday and Friday, many senior parents arrived in D.C. to join their graduates in preparation for a weekend jam-packed with celebratory activities. Weekend events included the Legacy Family Commencement Reception, the University Interfaith Baccalaureate Service and each school's individual celebration.

But the highlight of graduation weekend, of course, was University Commencement on the National Mall on Sunday, May 19, 2013.

Held adjacent to the Washington Monument between 7th and 14th Streets, GW's Commencement was a momentous occasion for GW grads and their parents, one that would not soon be forgotten. Kerry Washington, a GW alum and star of the ABC drama Scandal, delivered the keynote address, followed by President Steven Knapp, Harriet Mayor Fulbright, Admiral Thad Allen and the student Commencement speaker, Alexander Zafran. Following the ceremony, students spanned out across the city to celebrate, filling many of D.C.'s most popular restaurants and hotspots. There, the Class of 2013 brought to a close their tenure as GW students and ushered in what was sure to be a bright future.


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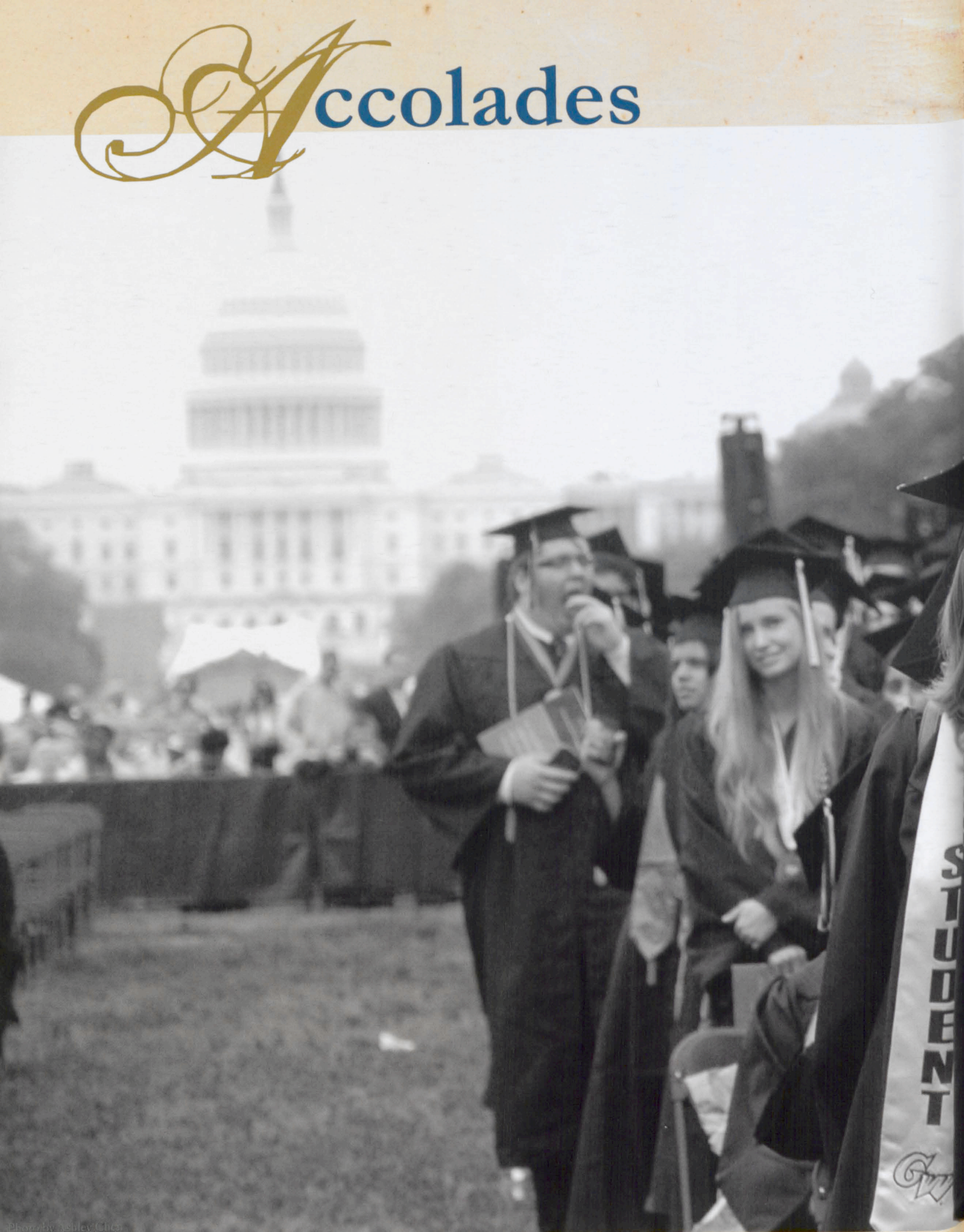

"You and you alone are the only person who can live the life that can write the story that you were meant to tell."
—Kerry Washington


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Ari Hoffman

Dear Ari,

We are so proud of the man you've become and of all your accomplishments: as an academic, adventurer and activist!

"Carpe diem" is your motto in everything you do: your double major in international business and information systems with a focus in Mandarin Chinese, yourstudy abroad semester in Shanghai and your eight internships and a consulting job in D.C. Looking back at everything you squeezed into your four years of college, we're not quite sure when you slept.

You also absolutely seize the day in your pursuit of life adventures: global bungy–jumping in Macau and New Zealand, surfing and sky–diving near D.C, mud races to raise money for charities, and your new passion for boxing.

And you have gone above and beyond in your commitment to Israel, as a pro-Israel advocate, leader on campus in GW Acting Politically, student leader with AIPAC, support for the IDF, and frequent lobbying visits on Capitol Hill.

You inspire us today and we can't wait to see where your adventures, skills and passions will take you next!

With love and admiration,
Mom, Dad and Molly









Kevin Doyle

Dear Kevin,
CONGRATULATIONS! We have watched you grow from a sweet little boy into a confident man with a true joie de vivre, poised to take on the world.
Continue to be happy and productive as you travel far and wide, and don't forget to always save us the best table in the house!
All our love,
Mom and Dad





Dearest Jeff,
Just four years ago, we drove away and left our funny, smart redheaded boy in the middle of D.C. In the midst of the White House, the monuments, the buildings where history is made every day, we had faith you would soak up the greatness around you, challenge yourself and be open to all the possibilities that D.C. and GW offered, with the same easy grace with the world you have always shown. In these four years, we've watched you mature into an amazing man. You have the intellect, passion and integrity to combine your innate sense of humor and humanity with the knowledge, ideas and skills acquired through your education to make a difference in the world. Whatever direction you choose from here, we will all be better for your contribution to our lives. Congratulations on your graduation! We are so proud of you and we can't wait to see where the next part of your journey takes you.
With much love,
Mom, Dad & Kristen





Jeffrey Dugas



Kenny O'Brien

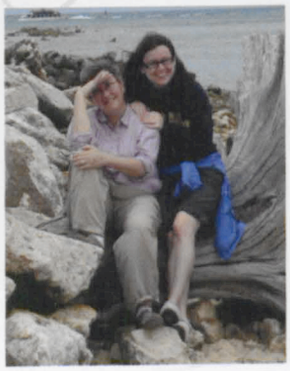
Dear Kenneth,
When you look back on your four years at GWU, the memories you made here will be considered "the greatest time of your life". You have made us very proud as you balanced your roles as a student, an athlete and a member of PIKE. With the many opportunities offered to you, you have accomplished most of your goals and set yourself up for a remarkable future. We are extremely happy for you and ecstatic for what lies ahead.
Love Mom and Dad

Casey James Wach

In troublesome times with hardships many,
Though beaten down, again and again,
You found your way o'er that rocky path,
To this fine end and new beginning.
We were with you then, and are with you still,
As you start along on your next journey,
And be sure of that, with love and hope,
We are with you still, your faithful fam'ly.

Dear Christine,
You have made us so proud. We love you and will be with you, no matter where you are traveling in this world.
Congratulations on your success at GWU.
Mom & Kathy
"You have to accept whatever comes, and the only important thing is that you meet it with the best you have to give."







Cristine Doyle

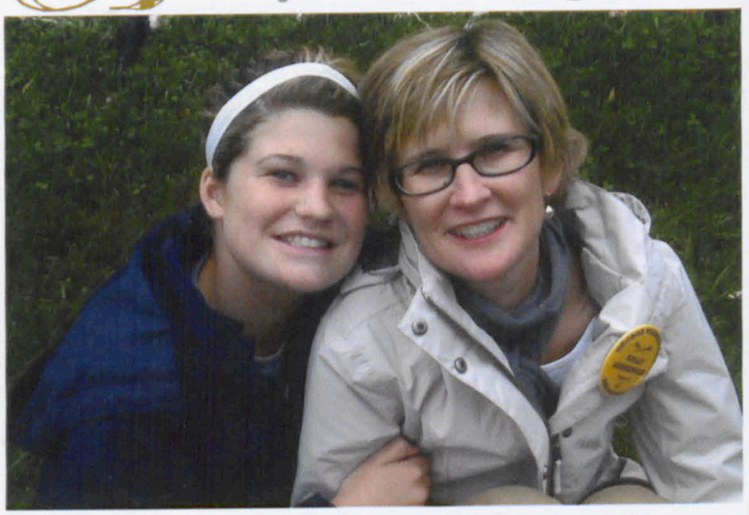
Dear Ryan,
We are so proud of what you have accomplished and the person that you have become. You have exceeded our greatest expectations as a student, and as a person. Your dedication and passion to genocide awareness and prevention is inspiring. We know that there are great things ahead for you in your future.
Love, Mom, Dad and Lindsey
"Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness."
—Desmond Tutu





Ryan Brenner

Abby Sneeringer



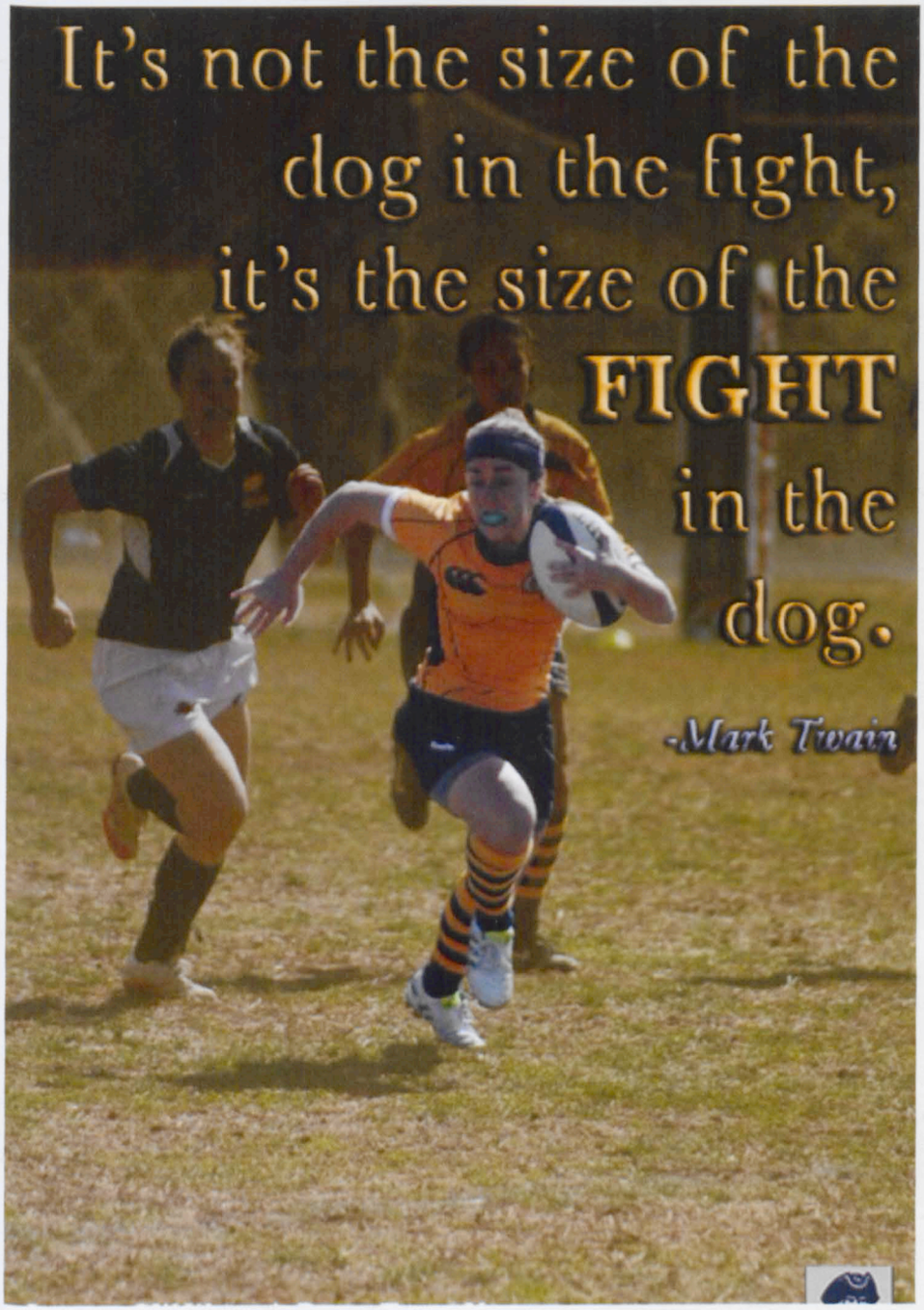




Dear Abby,
It seems just like yesterday that we were sitting in the Starbucks on your first visit to GW.
YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY BABY!
Love Mom, Dad & Elliot

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Michelle Garofalo Perna



Dear Michelle,

Mom and I never thought the comments we made 11 years ago while visiting Washington D.C., (when you were ten years old) would come true! We are so proud of your accomplishments at George Washington University.

We never had a doubt in your success. You are more than any parent can ask for in a daughter. Your future holds so many opportunities for you that the sky is the limit. Your skills and character will definately guide you to find a way for your dreams to come true.

I know we are biased as your parents, but we have to say that who you are is your greatest asset! You are loyal and helpful to your friends, a compassionate and humble person, but most of all you are a loving and devoted daughter and sister. May the road of life you travel have few bumps in the road, may your aspirations and goals be reached with a sense of pride, and may the love you spread be felt by all who come to know you!

We Love you with all our hearts,

Mom, Dad, Alessandra and Mario











Tannaz Hosseinpour



Our Dear Tannaz,

We are so proud of you for all that you have accomplished in the past four years. With all the ups and downs, you managed to get through it with your head held high. Ever since you were born, you knew exactly what you wanted to do with your life and nothing we ever said could change your mind. You had a goal and you went after it. We are beyond grateful to have you in our lives and you are truly a blessing to the world. We would like to thank you for always staying true to who you are. You are a great daughter, sister, humanitarian and friend. May this be just the beginning of a whole new chapter in your life. Congratulations on finishing this one and starting your new one in London. We are confident that you will be as successful in graduate school. Thank you for being a good role model for your younger brother. May all your dreams come true, one at a time. Always believe in yourself and the myriad miracles the universe has to offer to you.

Love,
Your Mom & Dad

































Dear Rachel,
I hope your dreams take you... to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known.
- Anonymous
Some are dreamers, some are talented. You are both. May you achieve more success ahead Rachel.
You dreamt, you believed, you strived and you achieved. You are an inspiration to all of us. You Rock!!!
Rachel you are such an amazing person, words like loving, kind, sensitive, caring and special are only a few....
Congratulations on your Graduation!!!
Love, Mom



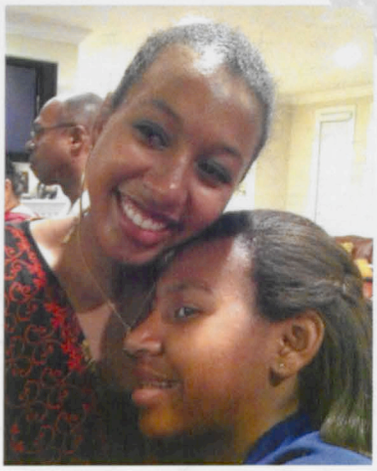




Rachel Elana Sloane

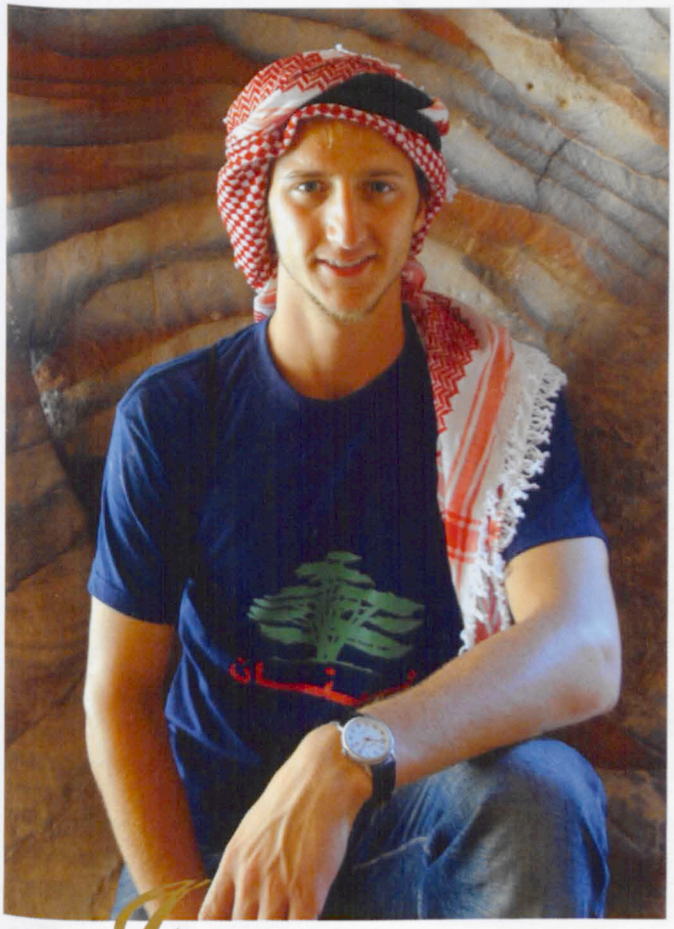
Dylan Fox

Dear Dylan,
Congratulations, you put in many hours of hard work to make this happen. We are all very excited to share this day with you and we wish you continued success and happiness as you embark on the next phase of your career. With Much Love and Admiration
– Mom, Dad, Julian, Dara, and Bleu



Chloe Colbert

Dear Chloe,
We have enjoyed watching you lead and follow, walk and run, and sometimes stand still. Your family loves you to pieces, so never feel that we are not with you.
Keep moving.



Dear Jeff,
Your insatiable thirst for knowledge, deeply imbedded sense of fairness and universal equality, wanderlust, and focus on the defining the commonalities in the world to bring us to peaceful coexistence continue to drive you. Knowledge fueled by passion will propel your life. You launch your life-quest from a loving family, who shares your dreams and will always support you. We are immensely proud, love you deeply, and know you will succeed. Now, go change the world!





Jeff Richards

Mathew Kaye

Dear Mathew,
Congratulations on your graduation! Everyone in the family is very proud of your accomplishments.
We wish you all the luck in your future endeavors.
Love Dad, Mom, Marissa and Sarah



Dear Jessica,
From those first new days, a freshman in Potomac Hall, you were a silent star hidden by a cloud, but one that through your four years has left a shining furrow.
You've done as Tennyson's traveler has too, 'enjoyed greatly, suffered greatly', become a part of all that you have learned. You've always put your best forward, always worked to bring something more to all that you attempt, and you have lived Tennyson's lines: "to strive, to seek, to find and not to yield".
Best of luck as your journey continues. We are so proud of you!
Congratulations Jessica, our shining star, our awesome GW grad!
Love,
Dad and Mom





Jessica Chace





Congratulations, David.
We are all so proud of you. Being the smart and talented individual that you are, we've always had great expectations for you - and you've managed to exceed them all. You were born with many natural gifts, but it has been your hard work and dedication that has made you into the impressive young man you've become. Wherever life's journey may take you, we support you and wish you the best.

Love, Mom, Jon, Ashley, Uncle Joe and Aunt Barbara



David Farragut Goscinak



Lauren Benne

To Our Dear Lauren,
Dimpled cheeks, always smiling,
Sparkling eyes, always shining,
Optimistic you!
Intelligence glowing,
Creativity flowing,
Inquisitive you!
Questioning, discovering,
World-wide traveling,
Fashionista you!
Look-out-world; make a difference,
Bring it on; never stop,
Compassionate you!
Lots of love always,
Our pride is showing,
For one-of-a-kind...our special angel...you!
Mom, Dad and Family



Arlie V Mayfield II



Congratulations Arlie,
The Lord has blessed you in many ways for you to become the man you are. We are so proud of you. Continue your journey with confidence and determination and your dreams will be a reality.
National Honors Society
National Society of Leadership and Success
Houston Livestock Show Scholarship Recipient
2000 Hours AQHA Horseback Riding Recipient



Dear Ava,
We are so proud of your accomplishments these last four years at GW. You have blossomed into a beautiful young woman with a generous heart and a laugh that encompasses everyone that meets you. Your loyalty to friends and family is to be admired. You have continued to follow your dreams and have so much to look forward to as you embark on this journey called life. You have it all: Brains, beauty and blessings from us all.
Love, Mom, Bob, Dad, Jesse, Grandma, Grandpa and Alfie



Ava Rubin

Catherine Barnao

Dear Catherine,

You have worked very hard to reach your graduation and now it is time to celebrate. Our hope is that you not only lead a successful life, but that you lead a balanced life. May you find a way to combine work with family, friends and personal growth.

We are proud of and respect your personal values and principles. You have used your values and education to form your career plans and influence how you treat people. You have learned that it is important to be an advocate for others who need help and support. From a very young age, you have shown good judgment in how you behave and lead your life. We hope that as you encounter challenges, you will stay true to the values you hold important and the way you want to lead your life.

We can still remember your first day of pre-school. On that day we were nervous to send you away from us. As you graduate college, we feel the same way. We are nervous again as you begin to make your own way in the world, but are confident that you will use your sharp mind and beautiful personality to your best advantage.

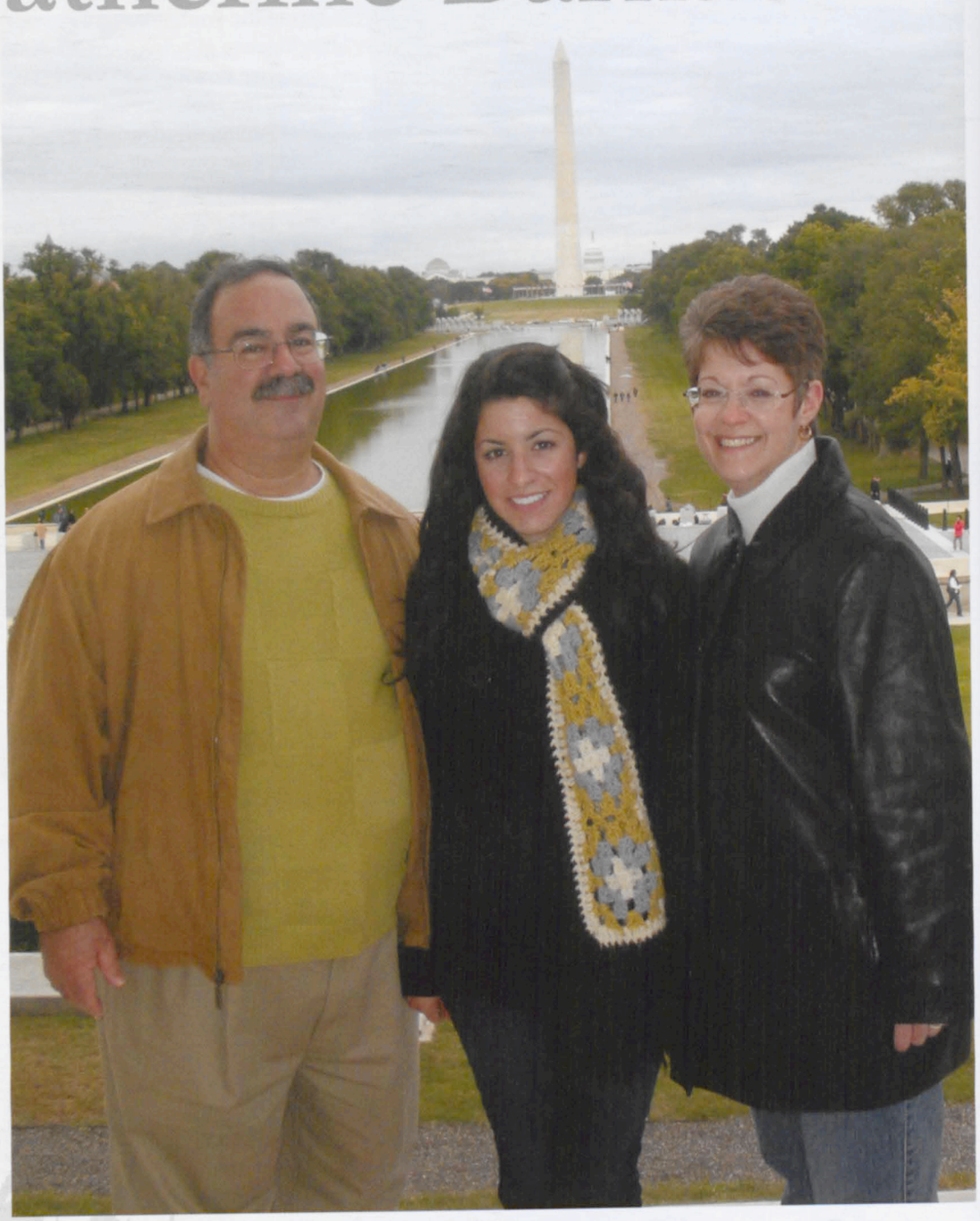
Finally, we know you are sad to leave your roommates Gaby, Emma and Annu, as well as your other friends. We thank them all for providing you with support and encouragement.

We are grateful that you have shared these past four years with such intelligent, honest and caring young people. May these friendships remain strong throughout your life.

We are very proud of you and wish you the best of luck in your future.

Congratulations and All Our Love,

Mom and Dad











Paula Costa

Adorable Paula (Our Paulhinha),
Beauty, love, courage, compassion, respect, presence, joy, creativity and were always present in our journey.
We are very proud of you. Congratulations of one more achievement.
Your precious and unique smile warms up our souls. Your wits and will power will continue to open doors of opportunity to your progress.
We love you,
Mom, Dad and Patricia.







Herbert Benjamin Rosenbaum

To Our Dear Herbert B Rosenbaum,
Your accomplishments are epic. Phi Beta Kappa, junior year selection, & University Honors Program & Dean's List & double degrees B.S. Biological Science, B.A. Judaic Studies & Minors in Chemistry, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology & Volunteer EMT & CPR Instructor & Eagle Scout & Harlan Trust Research Fellowship Recipient - (Dr. Irene Riz) alternative methods of splicing TP53 cancer cells & researched apoptotic pathways of T-ALL cells & President, Master Alchemist, & mentor, Alpha Pi Chapter of Alpha Chi Sigma Professional Chemistry Fraternity & UTHSCSA Research Fellowship - (Dr. P. Renee Yew) phosphorylation assay of inhibitors & Member of Eta Beta Rho National Honor Society for Hebrew language scholars & recipient of the Yael Margalit Moses Hebrew Award & Welch Scholars Program - (Dr. Christy Landes) U. Houston investigated RSV NCp12 effects on TAR DNA & accepted at medical schools; one with tuition waived,& even though you didn't make Captain of the GWU football team, your parents, brother, as well as many friends, mentors and acquaintances are exceptionally proud of you,
Love always and forever,
Mom, Dad, Brother, Family, Teachers & Friends

Stephanie Rothman



Dearest Stephi (The Little One),
Mazel tov on your graduation. What a lot of experiences in these very fast four years. Some hard lessons learned but mostly wonderful times. Now you're the young adult you've wanted to be since you were four and we all couldn't be more impressed with everything you've done. You have the brains, energy and tools to accomplish your goals. We're all behind you and our love goes with you wherever you may go.

Your devoted fan club,

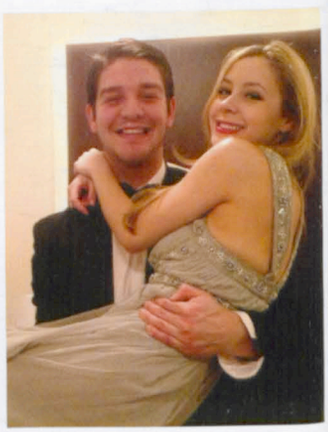
Dad, Mom, Meredith, Grammy











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Briana Joy Mawby



Dear Briana,
Wow! What a wonderful four years you have had in D. C.! We have been so happy and proud to support you as you have grown and excelled in college. You are ready to fly solo now, and we are ready to step back and watch you soar, even though it is a little bittersweet for us. Please know that we will always be there for you, and, surely you also know by now, that we will ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS love you to the moon. and back.
Mom and Dad



Quinette,
We remember your birth, your first day of school, and the day we left you at your dorm, we were nervous and proud. We will never forget visiting you for Colonial Inauguration, and will always cherish the memories of your concerts with the GW Troubadours. We are so very proud of your leadership as President of the Troubs this Year, and know that this is only the beginning of your success. Take a look back at your achievements; Realize all that you've accomplished and the footprints that you have left. Each footprint has been a building block for your life, and reflects the impact you've left on us, and this world. Your Graduation marks a great chapter in the life of an amazing young lady. Continue to strive towards your dreams, and always be sure of the support you have in us. We're confident that you will continue on with even more successes. Life is a never ending adventure...Quinette, We are very proud of you and love you dearly.
Grammy and Poppop
JoAnn and James Mosley





Quinette Ebone Jeffries

Lorena Martinez



Dear Lorena: We have been so lucky having the opportunity to see you grow and mature; all of your sucess has been the result of those years of hard work and study. Today we're thanking God for showing us his grace and love every step of the way! Congratulations! Thank you for making us proud and just remember: "There is not limit for you to reach your goals"
With endlessly love, Mom, Tori & Dad

Sean Michael Fago

Dear Sean,
Congratulations on a job well done! Your many achievments are a tribute to your hard work and dedication. We are so proud of you, and the man you have become. The happiest moments we have known are the moments we have spent with you. We wish you so much love, happiness, health and success. God bless you always.
Love,
Mom and Dad.

Zach Krahmer



Dear Zach.
It has been an incredible adventure for us to watch your life unfold these past 22 years, and we are so proud of the independent, loving and creative man you have become!
Reflecting on your four years at GW, we see you have truly made the most of everyday, seizing opportunities, exploring your passions, and developing your life gifts, all while devoting time and effort to relationships with God, family, and friends.
Some of the highlights that came to mind are your involvement and dedication to the crew team, Sigma Chi, building stoves in Panama, working as a firefighter in Nevada, crossing Engineering off your list, leading climbing adventures, studying abroad in Australia, travel, interning as a photographer on Capitol Hill, your work with the Hatchet, winning awards through FotoWeek, your calls home to Oregon during the blizzard freshman year, Horizons and more. Hopefully this list will serve as a reminder in ten years as you pull our your yearbook and see where you've been.
Trust God in every detail of your life and remember nothing is random. Even mistakes can be recycled into something good. We are always here for you.
We love you,
Mom and Dad









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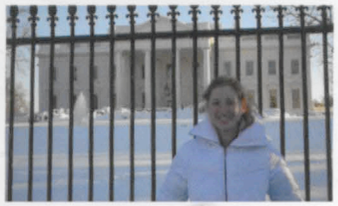


Lauren Clark

Sweetie,
We are so proud of you! Your hard work and dedication has paid off. We know it hasn't been easy, but you never gave up. When you set your mind to your goals there is no stopping you. This will take you far in life. Your hard work and dedication was apparent during Relay for Life, what an emotional weekend, thank you for caring so much. Rugby has brought you lots of fun, too many injuries but best of all great friends. All of these experiences will continue to help you reach your dreams which are closer than you think. We are so proud of you and can't wait to watch what happens next.
Love, Mom, Dad, Maddie and Emily











Michelle Miliante

Dear Shel,
Congratulations! We are extremely proud of you and your accomplishments. You set your goals then your determination and perseverance made them a reality. Your compassionate spirit is the force that will guide you through your chosen field of healing others. Your love of music will undoubtedly allow you to sing and rejoice in all the blessings that you will continue to receive.

May God bless you in all your future endeavors.

Love Mom, Dad & the entire Family

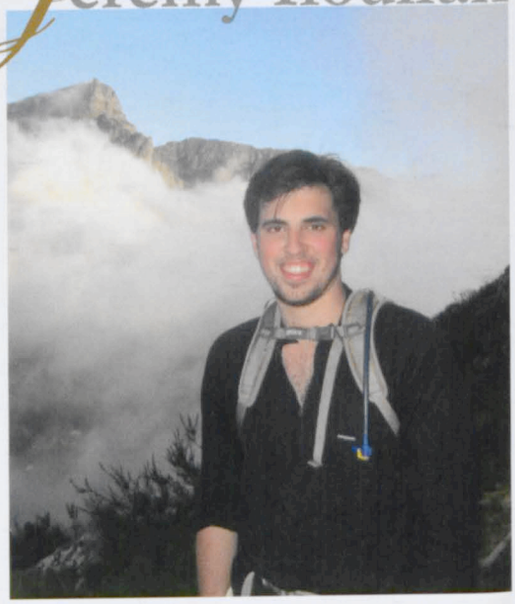


Ian W.M. Conners

Dear Ian,
We are so very proud of you for being yourself, for your goals and accomplishments and all the sailing and music you have worked into your life at GW. Keep a song in your heart as it will serve you well, and....."may the wind be ever at your back, may the sun shine warm upon your face." All our love always.
Mom, Dad and Devon.

Jeremy Iloulian

Jeremy -To our brilliant, passionate and heartfelt son and brother: Words can not express how proud we are of you today and throughout the years. You have truly grown to be a young man that understands the importance of strong morals, values and conviction for family, friends and for the work that you love. Your passion for living life to the fullest is contagious! Be happy always and follow your heart! We LOVE you very much!!
Mom, Dad and Rebecca xoxo













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CONGRATULATIONS DANIEL,
Go confidently in the directions of your dreams.
Live the life you have imagined!
– Henry David Thoreau

Children's National Medical Center

We are so proud that you have pursued your dreams through thick and thin. Congratulations on your graduation – we look forward to your next adventure!
Love - Mom, Dad, Amanda, Stephanie, Colbie, and Zoe

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Daniel Ryan Feldman





Dear Alyssa,
How quickly time has passed since your first day of kindergarten! You have grown into a beautiful young lady and have accomplished so much. Now you are ready to embark on your next great adventure and be the change you wish to see in the world! Continue to live your life to the fullest with integrity, excellence, and service to others while having fun. You will succeed in everything you do and our world will be a better place. We are so proud of you!
With all our love -
Mom, Dad & Kris

"You're off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, So...get on your way!"

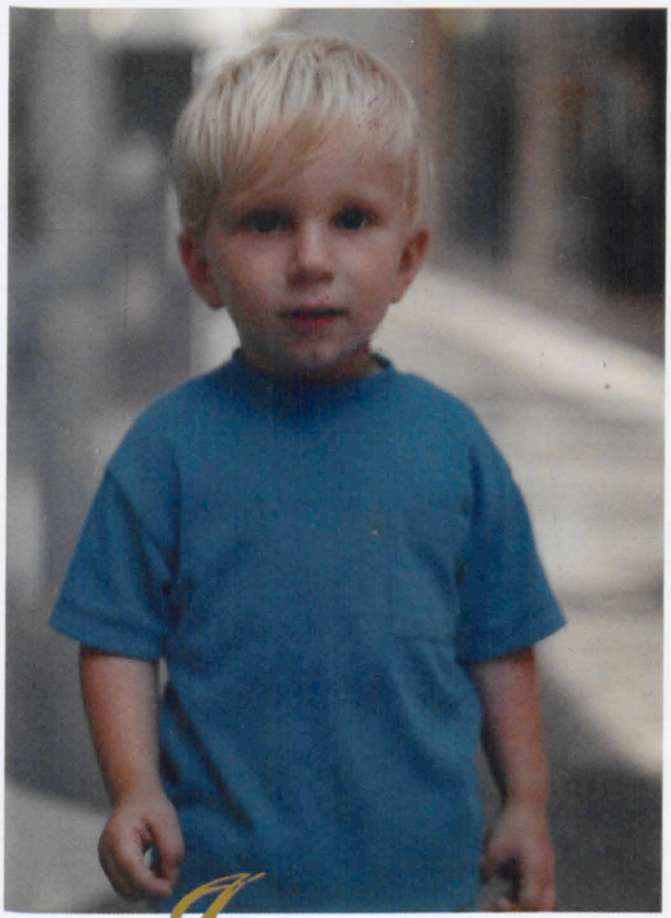


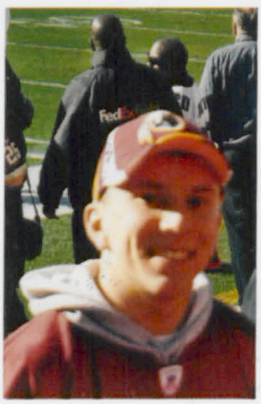






Alyssa Rhodes





Dear Joseph,
"And will you succeed? Yes, you will indeed! (98 and 3/4 percent guaranteed). KID YOU'LL MOVE MOUNTAINS!"
"OH THE PLACES YOU'LL GO!"
—DR. SEUSS .
The sparkle in your eyes, your humor and smile are the simple things to love. your brains, guidance and independence are the qualities we admire.
We are very proud of you always.
Love, Mom, Mooma, Harold & Dad





Joseph Champlin

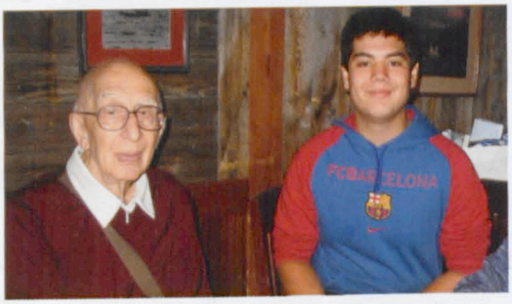
Alexander Tallian



Dear Alex,
Congratulations!
4 years have flown by. We love you and are so proud of you!
We wish you the very, very best!
—Juliana, Steve, Mom, Dad, Hami, Panni, Habi & Tibor (and the rest of the family)!

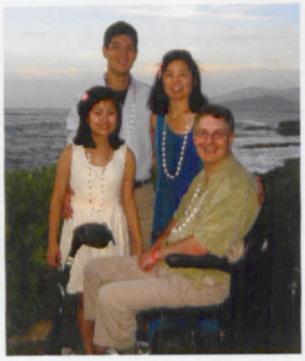


The future holds unknown worlds
Shall we be prepared or shall we soar into the unknown like birds
One's college life flying in the skies of wisdom
Those who try will find themselves in the knowledgeable realm
Future – pondering, inquiring, wondering
The unspoken rule of the ones serene will crown themselves kings and queens.
– Juliana

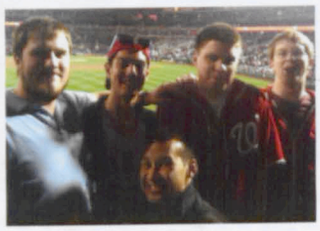




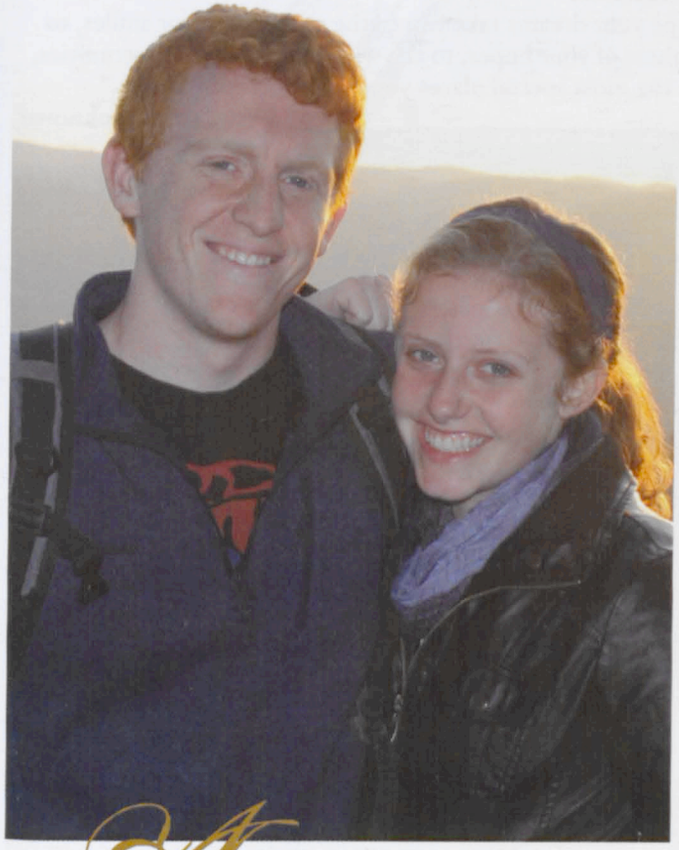




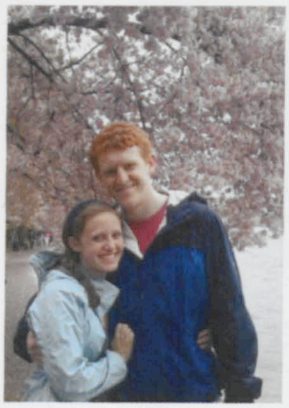








Allison, rather than going on about how incredibly proud we are of you, we wanted to share the you that we know with everyone. These qualities have been a big part of your amazing accomplishments! Congratulations!!
>> Adventurous >> A Leader >> Compassionate >> Driven >> Determined >> Witty >> Unique >> Fair >> Surprising >> Dedicated >> Friendly >> Outgoing >> Confident >> Courageous >> Captivating
We wish you and Jeff Dugas all of the happiness life has to offer! Shout out to 407 for a job well done, we love all of you guys!





Allison Tebbe











Dear Irene,
Congratulations! We are very proud of you and all your hard work and accomplishments. We wish you the very best and continued success!
Love always,
Mom, Dad, Kathryn & Eddie

Irene Gutleber

Congratulations, to Jasmine Sharea Bounds on your graduation from The George Washington University and The School of Business. Jasmine, we want you to know that we are very proud of you. From the time you were born until this very present day, we knew that you would be an amazing and strong minded person. Our family has enjoyed watching you grow into the beautiful woman that we see before us today. We look forward to seeing what God has in store for you and the great endeavors that you will be facing as you walk across that stage to receive your diploma and start the next chapter in your life.
Love Always, Your Family.









Jasmine Bounds

Dear Delaney,

With immense pride and joy, we celebrate with you! You have discovered, seized, and immersed yourself with unforgettable experiences, once-in-a-lifetime opportunities, and definitely...worldly adventures! Your wondrous journey continues and we are forever lovingly by your side. We love you more than you know.

Love,

Mom, Dad, & Brock







Delaney Workman

Dearest Maris—

"... Hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known."

-author unknown

With much pride and infinite love, we congratulate you on your remarkable accomplishments.

Mom, Dad, Jason, Andrea, Zachary, Owen, Oma, and Jessie



Marisa Gershwin

Joanne O'Sullivan





Dear Joanie,

Congratulations on your graduation!
We love you and we're always so proud of you.

God bless you and lots of luck!
Mom & Dad

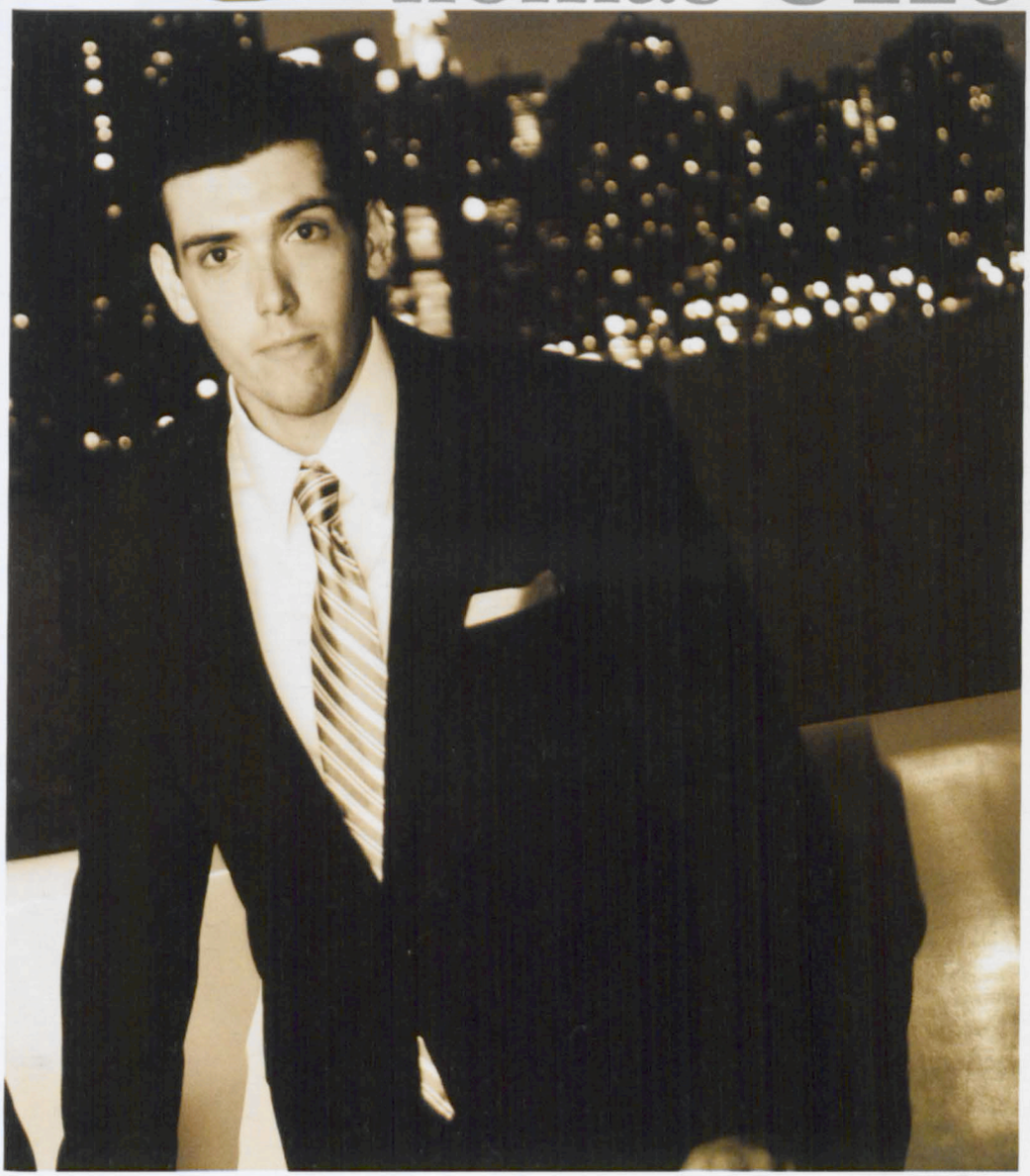
Dear Jeffrey,

Webster's dictionary defines success as.....just kidding. But if Webster's were to define Jeffrey Levy, what would it say? Your accomplishments so far demonstrate your determination, tremendous work ethic, and self-motivation. You always show a caring concern for those around you, and approach the world with a beautiful smile and sense of humor. We are all so proud of you at this special moment in your life. We know the future holds great success for you. May all your dreams come true.
With all of our love and a hearty Mazel Tov,
Mom, Dad & Lawrence
Grandma & Grandpa
Bubbe



Jeffrey Levy

Thomas Uzzo







Dear Thomas,

We often ask ourselves, "Where did the time go?" It seems like in just a blink of our eyes, and now you are twenty one years old and graduating from college. From the first day you were born and we received our gift from God - you have made our lives so full of joy and happiness. Everyday as we watched you grow into a beautiful young man, we know how truly blessed we are. You have made us and our entire family the proudest people in the world.

As a young boy you always worked so hard in your studies to be your very best in school from elementary, high school, to college and as one can see you have succeeded in all.

Throughout the years it has been such a pleasure to watch you play sports, and as your father, to play sports with you, or to enjoy the simple pleasures of taking you to a Yankees World Series Game or a Rock & Roll concert, or even to teach you to drive. And, yes, there is so so so much more - what a thrill for a Dad.

To watch your mother teach you to swim in a pool and the ocean, or when you and mom go on those crazy roller coasters over and over again, or para-sailing in the middle of the ocean, and when you and mom went on a helicopter with no doors for a ride up and down the New Jersey Coast Line, those are just a few things your mother will always treasure. I thank God everyday that your mother had the guts to do some of these with you, because I didn't!

You have always been a loving and caring big brother to your sister, Nicole, and in a family that is very important. Thomas you have grown up to have such strong morals and values, you are a very compassionate person, and last but not least you have integrity.

So what ever road you choose or whatever turn you decide to take don't ever be afraid because we will always be there for you. Like we say in our family "we've got your back."

So whatever you decide to do with your future, shoot high and reach for the stars. As we are sure you will do just fine.

Thomas, you were a wonderful child and have become a very fine young man. It is your turn now to navigate full throttle the beginning of your journey into adulthood and to create your mark in this world. Always know, as we may sit on the sidelines to watch, we will always be there at each turn and every juncture. We love you so much and are so very proud of you. God Bless you always and may your Guardian Angels continue to watch over you – for they are so very proud of all your accomplishments and all those that are yet to be achieved.

—love you, Dad and Mom

Dearest Thomas, I cannot verbalize how much you mean to me, and how much you have affected my life for the better. You have been a perfect brother, role model, and most importantly friend. I congratulate you on this monumental achievement and wish you the best of luck in all your future endeavors. You have made me so proud, and I am truly lucky to be your little sister.

—Love you always, Nicole

Thomas we all love you so much and are all so very proud of you, and always will be. In our eyes you will always be "Forever Young."









Caroline Ayes



Dearest Caroline,
Congratulations on your graduation from college! We are so proud of your accomplishments and dedication to what you hold dear in your life. Your passion and your mission to serve humbles us and it seems like we love you even more, if that is even possible
We love you so very much! We count ourselves blessed to share your life. Your life is wonderful beyond words. This letter could go on and on, but we wanted to narrow it down to our most important thoughts. Always accept yourself for who you are, respect who you are, love who you are, and be forever loveable! It is time now for you to go off into the world, our dearest daughter, and be great! Congratulations on who you have become, but most importantly, who you are!

We love you and adore you!
Mom and Dad xoxoxo

Christina Williams

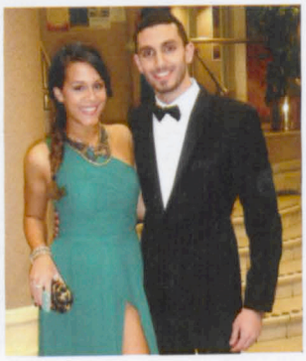


Christina,
We are so very proud of you. You started out on this journey a hard working and responsible individual and continue it the same way. Your ability to appreciate the beauty of life and adventurous spirit are what make you so special. Your aspiration to always continue to help others is an amazing quality of yours and we know in whatever endeavors you pursue, you will always keep that in mind. I am so honored to call someone so intelligent and caring my daughter.
Love, Mummy and your family

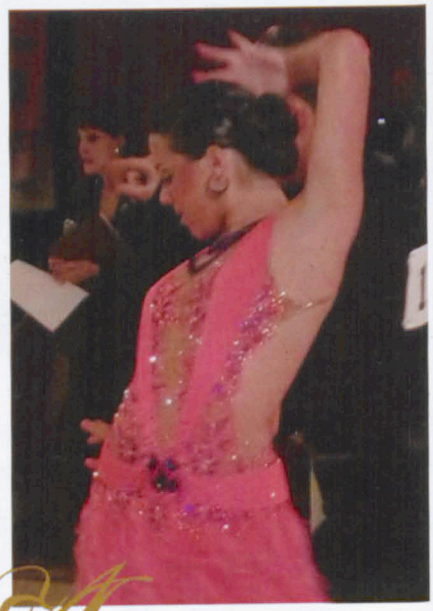
Christine Popp



Christine,
As one of the most loyal, reliable, and trustworthy students to work at MVC Events, we are terribly sad to see you leave. Your continual professionalism and attention to detail will be an asset to you in future pursuits. We wish you continuous success and hope you enjoy life post-graduation! All the best, Mrs. C and the Mount Vernon Event Services Staff







Ana Buling

Dear Ana,
We know that with your innate ability to see clearly, distinguish wisely and work determinedly, everything you do will bring joy to you and everybody around you! Very grateful to have you as a daughter, we are immensely proud of your accomplishments and choices. Wishing you happiness and satisfaction in all your future endeavors!

With love, admiration and appreciation,
Mom and Dad

accolades

Christopher S. Cordero



Dear Chris,

We are so happy to share with you this moment of happiness as you graduate from college

This is the beginning of a new life and the foundation for your future. We are so proud of all of your accomplishments and of how fine and well-rounded a young man you've become .

We found a beautiful poem that would serve as a reminder to the new life that you are about to embark upon.

TAKE TIME
by Author Unknown

TAKE TIME to think:
it is the source of power.
TAKE TIME to read:
it is the foundation of wisdom.
TAKE TIME to play:
it is the secret of staying young.
TAKE TIME to be quiet:
it is the moment to seek God
TAKE TIME to be aware:
it is the opportunity to help others.
TAKE TIME to love and be loved
it is God's greatest gift.
TAKE TIME to laugh:
it is the music of the soul.
TAKE TIME to be friendly:
it is the road to happiness.
TAKE TIME to dream:
it is what the future is made of.
TAKE TIME to pray:
it is the greatest power on earth.

We love you Son...

Congratulations!

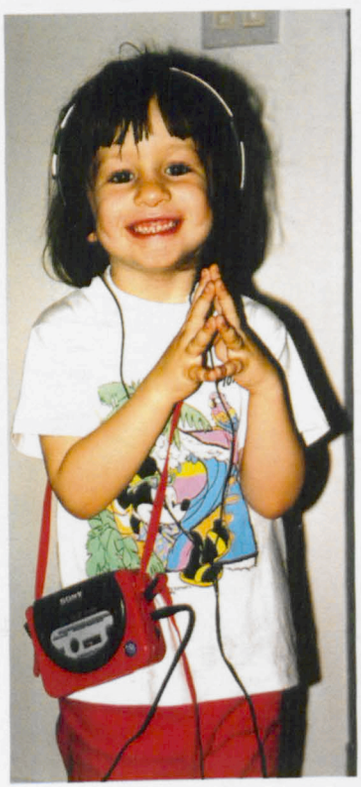
~Mom and Dad~

Nicole Alesio

Congratulations to our wonderful daughter Nicole.
We are so proud of you!
Your perseverance, hard work and humor have been an inspiration to us.
May your future be happy and fulfilling.
We love you,
Mom & Dad
PS: Mom will miss listening to your radio show
"Laugh loudly, laugh often"
– Chelsea Handler













Alexander,

You started at GW already living the philosophy of *carpe diem* – now you know how to parse it! Your decision to follow the less travelled path of classical education and pursue the qualities of a Renaissance Man will continue to bestow gifts on you throughout your life.

We are so proud to witness your growth and maturation at GW. These four years will always remain as wonderful memories. Your accomplishments are so numerous; your passion inspiring. Very few are fortunate enough to fully realize their capabilities and take advantage of all that university has to offer.

We salute your vision and look forward to sharing in the great success that lies ahead of you.

All our love,

Dad, Mom and Emma







Alexander Zafran

Michael Camhi

We are so proud of you Michael and hope you follow your dreams into reality. Your are passionate and intuitive, kind, articulate, loving, and very bright. Your ability to see things clearly and your use your exceptional communicative skills has always made you likeable, and a person to love and learn from. Please use your big heart and brilliant mind to help make the world a better place because you are in it. We were so blessed with you as you entered and changed our lives, and wish you good health , joy, love, passion, and success in all you do. May happiness and good fortune follow you every day of your long productive and accomplished life. You have filled our lives with so much joy,happiness, and pride. Follow your passion, follow your dreams, and make it happen for you!

Our love to you always,

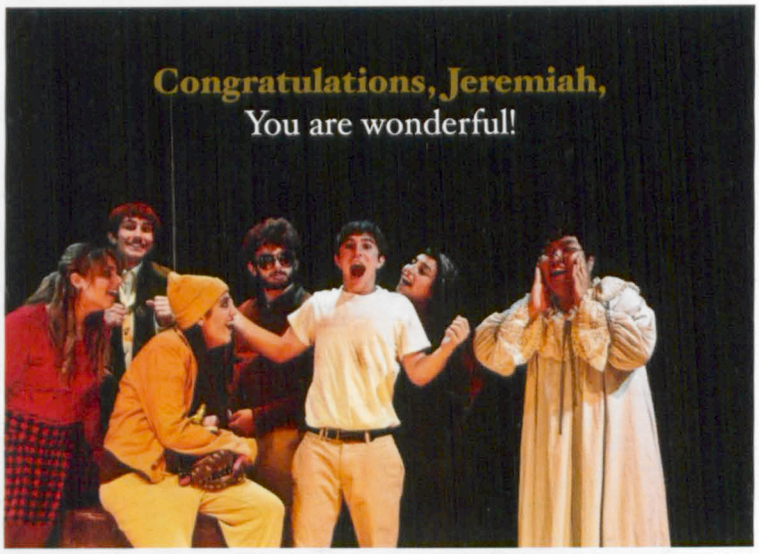
Mom, Dad, Arielle, Robert, Rachelle,Isabella,Nancy, and Steven.







Jeremiah Kirstein



Love, Dad, Mom, Harrell,
Marielle & Anello

Gregory Haskin JR



Dear Gregory Jr.,
We have fond memories of a bright happy youngster. We look forward to see you flourish as a successful adult. GOD BLESS and GOOD LUCK. We the Grand/Great Grand parents of Gregory, Great Grandma Sybil Muffy, Grandma Essie and Grandpa Sydney.

Hi Gregory Haskin Jr.:
We are very proud of you. Greg you entered George Washington University four years ago and four years later you graduated with your degree. Greg you have always been dedicated when you make up your mind to do something. It's a testament to you that you have instilled this value as well as many others in your life. But, it is also a gift from your mother and father raising you "the right way". We believe your future will remain bright. Keep your eye on the prize (your future occupation), respect your family and yourself and keep your faith in God. Good things will happen!
Congratulations Gregory Haskin Jr. 2013 Graduate!

Gregory,
You have grown into a compassionate intelligent young man. Your drive continues to amaze us, as proud parents. Follow your dreams and stay true to yourself and you will succeed in whatever you do.
Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead where there is no path and leave a trail. Shoot for the moon it you miss you'll land among the stars. There is a good reason they call these ceremonies "commencement exercises" graduation is not the end, it's the beginning.
Love, Mom, Dad and Ally











Lizzy Marmon

Dear Lizzy,
We are so proud of our actress/singer extraordinaire. Whether onstage or in the classroom, you've performed with true grace and style. Your dramatic and vocal successes have been matched by your growth and development as a beautiful young woman.
We know that there will be many great years ahead for you.
Break a leg, sweetie!
Love,
Mommy and Daddy



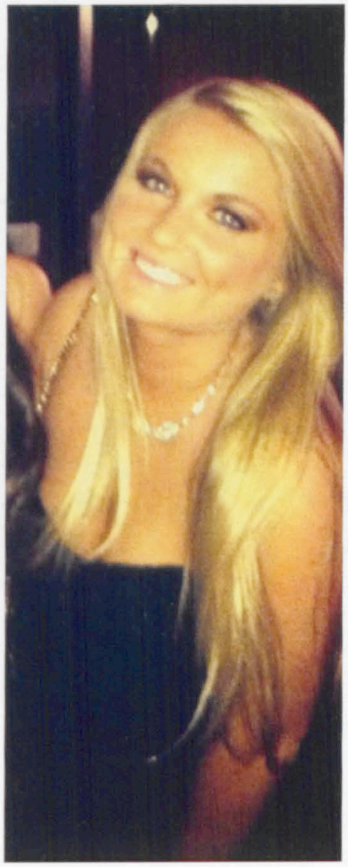
Congratulations Keke,
You did it! We are so proud of you and all that you've accomplished these past four years. You kept God first and He has lit your path to success. Continue to work hard, lean onto His understanding and there is NOTHING that you can't achieve. First stop GW, and now the world!
Love always,
Mom, Dad,
Grandma, Maeve,
Darren & Darryl





Keshia Jeantel

Alexa D'Angelo



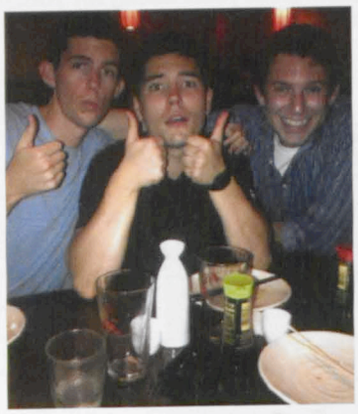
Dear Alexa,
Where did all the time go? Your still our "bundle of joy" but with a college diploma. We are so very proud of you and all of your accomplishments. Always follow your dreams with a strong mind and a kind heart. We wish you success, happiness and love now and forever.
Congratulations!
Lots of Love, Mom & Dad



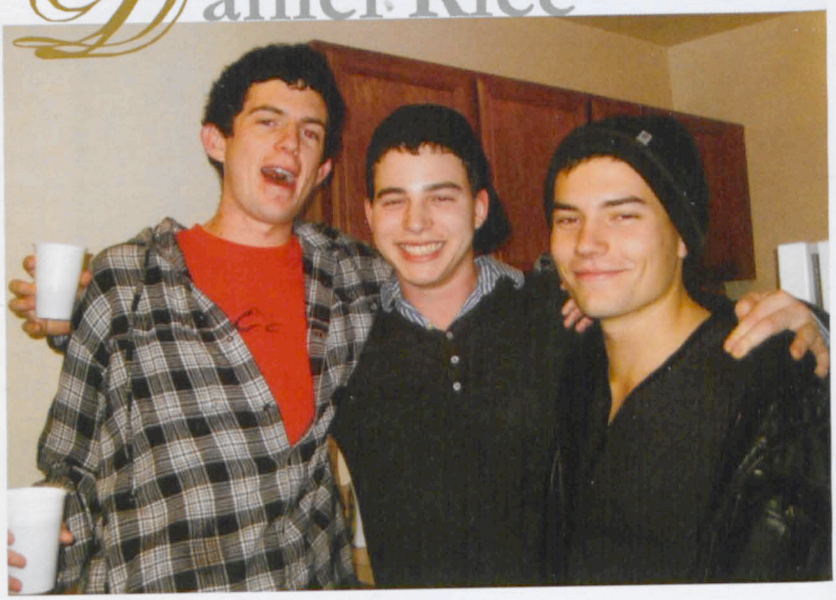
Daniel Rice











"The master in the art of living makes little
distinction between his work and his play
his labor and his leisure
his mind and his body
his education and his recreation
his love and his religion
he hardly knows which is which
he simply pursues
his vision of excellence
in whatever he does
leaving others to decide
if he is working or playing
to him he is always doing both"

Congratulations! We are thrilled for you and the opportunities that lie ahead. We could not be more proud.
With love, Courtney and Ted and Alan

Jane K Manby

Jane,
You have continued to seek out your opportunities and make the most of them and we are sure that success will continue for all the effort invested. We have done no more than try to provide you with tools, and you should be very proud of what you have built, and will build with them in the future. We certainly are! Game on! ... play your best.
Love,
Dad & Mom and all your family"

Congratulations Alexa, you did it! From the very beginning you knew that GW was where you wanted to be, and over the past four years you have proven that it was the best choice for you. Here at GW, far from your Canadian home, you flourished as a student, and an individual. You made us proud with your scholastic accomplishments and all the other activities with which you got involved. You gave your time and talent to house staff, GW radio, GWWIB and internships, all while pulling off great grades! You are an impressive young lady and we know that you will continue to go far. We love you, and are always with you along your journey. Mom, Dad & Courtney

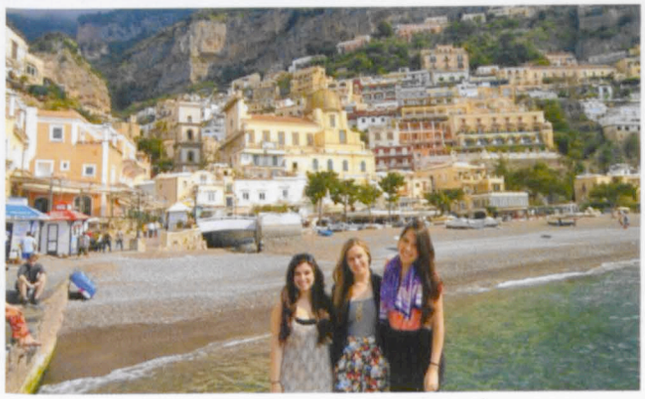


Alexa Vogel

Hannah Jacobs



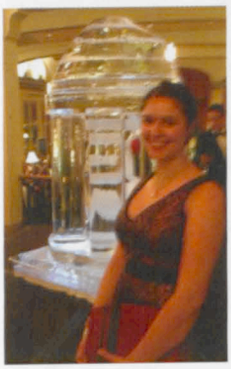


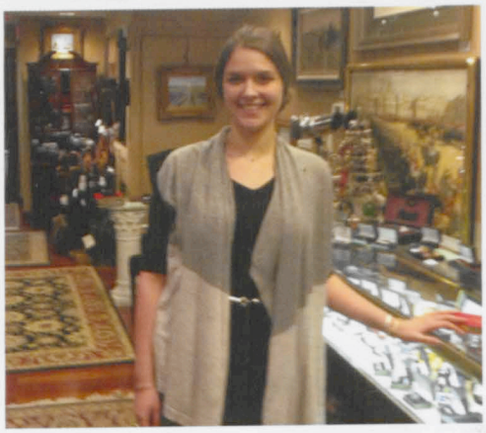




Dearest Hannah Bear,
All of us adore you, are proud of you, and have enjoyed sharing in your GWU adventure. We are looking forward to what comes next!
Lots of love from
Your Big Crazy Family
xooxoxoxxoxooxoxoxox

Dear Gina,
Congratulations on a very successful four years of study and work at GW, in Italy, at The Treasury, GW Housing, Shreve Crump & Low, DeMarco and Sterling & Burke. We are all very proud of you. Not only because of your many successes and hard work, but also of the person you are and the adult you have become. Very proud. The world is now your oyster. Pursue all of what you dream with passion and confidence .You are capable and worthy of great accomplishment , fulfillment, and fun.
The Story Continues.
All Our Love,
Dad, Kathy, Mom, Leon, Jeanette
Auntie, & Uncle Paul





Gina DeNapoli

Christine Zaccack



Congratulations to our beautiful Christine Georgette Zaccack

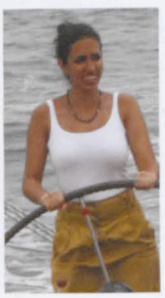
May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed!

Psalm 20:4

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Nicole and Samantha









Maren Loegavlen Engh





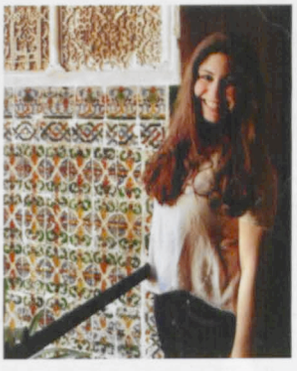


Dear Maren,
Congratulations on your Graduation from The Elliot School at The George Washington University. Four years of dedication and hard work really paid off. Good luck in your first job - we know you will be successful.
We can not wait to keep visiting you in beautiful Washington DC. We are so proud of you!
Love from Mamma, Pappa, Emilie, Victoria, Hunter and Sophie



Always. Dear Barrie, you have always been going somewhere.
Pushing your Little Tikes car out the front door to do errands.
Eagerly running to your first kindergarten bus ride.
Speeding down a mogully mountain.
Dancing elegantly on Pointe across a stage.
Navigating your way home, alone, from afar.
Discovering DC.
Traveling home to make a surprise gift of your presence.
Exploring Europe and tasting Europe's flavors.
Flying long distances in support of a loved one.
Confidently mapping out a future of your own design, and reaching your goal.
Wherever life takes you, we hope you find happiness, satisfaction, love and success.
We're proud of you. We adore you. With love, Mom, Dad and Hillary. **Always.**



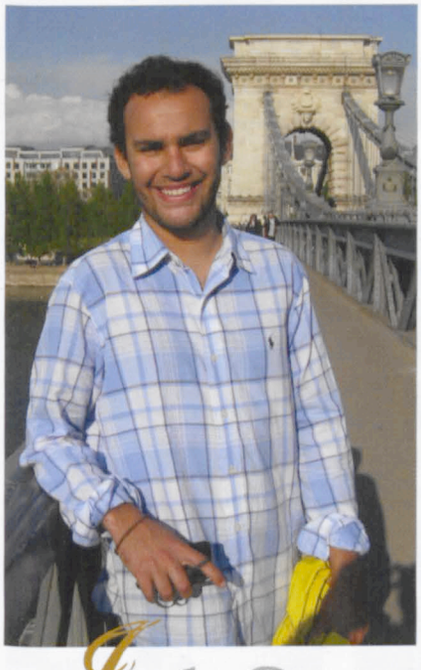






Barrie Ginsberg

Dear Jack,
Never, ever change who you are! Your love of life, friends and family has defined you. Your infectious smile instantly displays your warmth, caring and welcoming nature. Your love of learning, commitment to excellence and honorable determination has shaped who you are. You have built a remarkable foundation that will serve as a guide to everything you hope to achieve in whatever path you choose and no doubt yield endless success. These words cannot begin to express how proud we are of you and how happy we are for you! Never ever change who you've become!
With all our love, pride and joy,
Mom, Dad, Sophia and Charles





Jack Greenhouse



Chris Genovese

Chris, you were a lifesaver in so many ways this past year. You are a wonderful friend, co-worker, and employee. We wish the absolute best for you in all that you do in the coming years. We know that whatever you attempt, you will achieve!
All the best, Mrs. C and the Mount Vernon Event Services Staff

Dear Tzippy,
Little Bird, when you flew away,
You took our hearts with you,
And with you they'll forever stay,
Through everything you do,
Sometimes the days will seem very long,
And you'll think your cries go unheard,
But you're smart and brave and loved and strong,
Precious Little Bird.
Love,
Mom, Abba, Ari and Bubbe



Felicia Feingersch

Adam Akkad



To our shining star Adam,
We could never have wished for a better or more loving son! You have made us so proud! You have always been a strong role model to those around you. With your determination, and drive you are destined to reach for the stars. May Allah continue to guide you and protect you! May you continue to aspire for the highest and noblest of goals, and may you continue to inspire all those around you! May you continue to shine, and may your future be as bright as your smile! We love you so much!

Mom and dad!

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams"

Our best friend Adam,
We are so proud of you!! You are such an inspiration to us, and we are so lucky to have you as a brother! Not only are you our brother, you are our best friend and our role model. Adam, we wish you nothing but the best of luck, and we have no doubt that you will continue to achieve all your dreams! We know the best is yet to come! We love you so much words can't even describe!
Love,
Your two best friends, Serene & Jenene







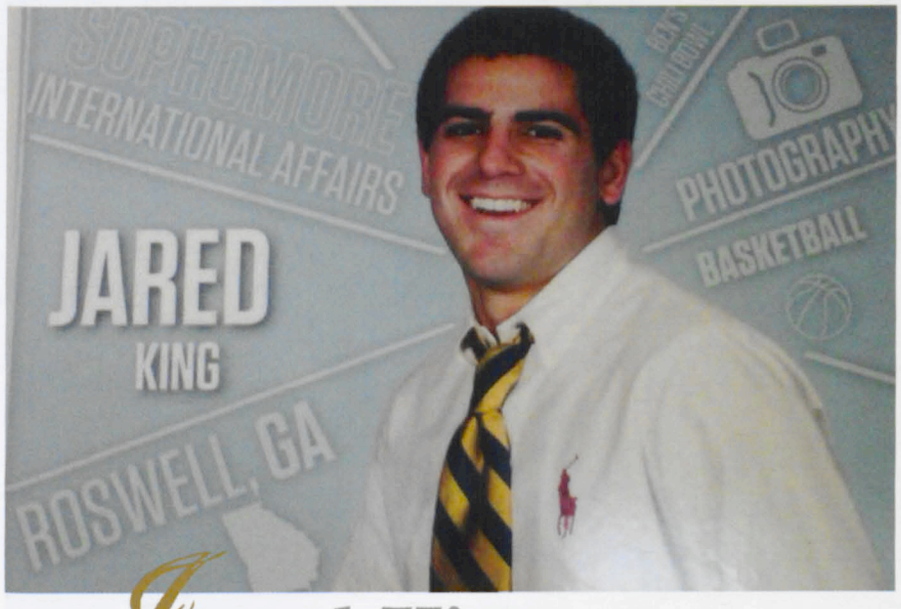




Jared — We are so proud of all you have accomplished at GW ! We know you are going to make a difference in the world no matter what path you take !!
Love Mom & Dad Alyssa &David &Julia











Jared King

Congratulations!

Peanut!

&
Mazal Tov!
We all love you!
Dad, Mommy, Grandma and
Your other sister
from planet Zoalar!



Matt Smith

"Happiness . . . it lies in the joy of achievement, in the thrill of creative effort."
—Franklin D. Roosevelt

Matt Smith, B.A. Political Science with a minor in Economics

PPE University of Oxford, England, 2011-12.

Hunter Thomas



Hunter,
You did it all AND you were there for us! You made yourself proud and us as well. Congratulations!
Love, Mom, Dad, Peter and Richard

Amanda Newman



Amanda,

Congratulations on graduating from GWU. We are so proud of all your academic and artistic accomplishments. Your friends and family wish you all the love and good luck as you continue to make your mark in the world. You radiate love and happiness.

Make wise decisions. Live a good life!

Lots of Love,

Dad, Mom, Granddaddy











Congratulations my dear, you make me a pride father. I wish you the best luck in your field. Keep working hard , this is the key of success
Love, Daddy

Congratulations to my grown little girl. From conception, God made you to be a leader, a light for the world ; so lead and shine.This is God's will. It is the beginning of a lifetime success. With kindness , love in your heart and God ' s help you can and will achieve your goal, live your dream and be happy.
Love, Mommy

Ma chere niece, Que ce jour soit pour toi le prelude d' une vie nouvelle dans cette voie dont tu vas en pointer le pas. Que Dieu te soit en aide afin de trouver la vraie direction pour un avenir sur. Qu'il soit le Flambeau qui guidera tes pas et la Barque qui t'en menera. Felicitations!!!









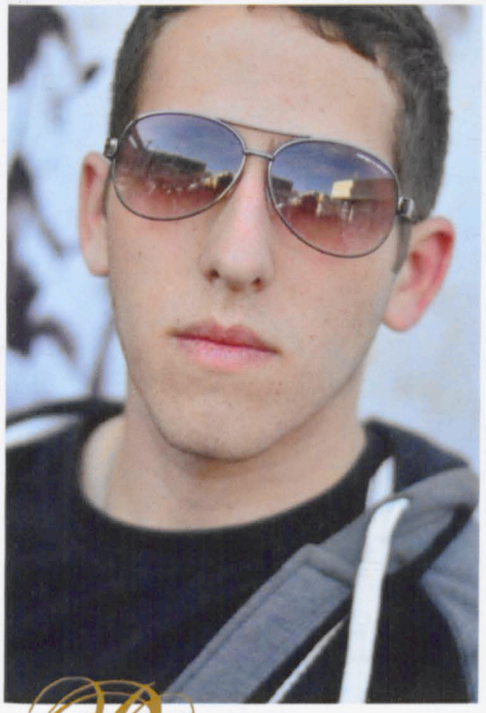


Finora Franck

Blake is defined by his warmth, compassion, passion and dedication to life, family and friends.
His studies, photography and travel experiences have made life changing and enriching impressions.
With such accomplishment, and his GW circle of friends, Blake's life journey will certainly be exciting, meaningful and fulfilling.

We are all so proud of the man that he is.

Much love from Dad, Joanie and Brett





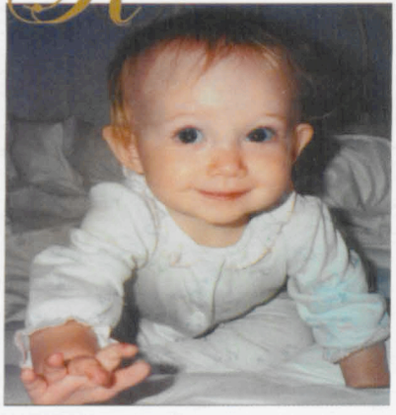
Blake Bergen



Dear Courtney,
YOU DID IT!!!! Congratulations to the new "Economist"!! We never had any doubt you could do it! We are so proud of the woman you have become and we know you will do great things. Remember to "stop and smell the roses." Court, because time really does go by too fast. It seems like yesterday we were dropping you off to college! "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams"
Love, Mom and Dad

Courtney Snell

Katherine Andrews



Katherine H. Andrews,
Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you've imagined.
—Henry David Thoreau
We love you,
We are so proud of you,
We are always here for you.
Dad, Mom and Caroline

Joshua Majewski



Joshua,
March 15th, 1991, you came into this world and changed our lives forever. You added love, laughter, and the true meaning of friendship to our family. Your hard work, dedication and admirable work ethic brought you to where you are today and now, marks another milestone, another new beginning in your life.
Take each solid step going forward one at a time. With each step, each accomplishment and each new opportunity, remain mindful and focused. Stay aware of your steps for they will lead you on your path to happiness and success.
Our son, our partner and our baby, we love you unconditionally and forever.
Mazel tov!

—Mom and Dad







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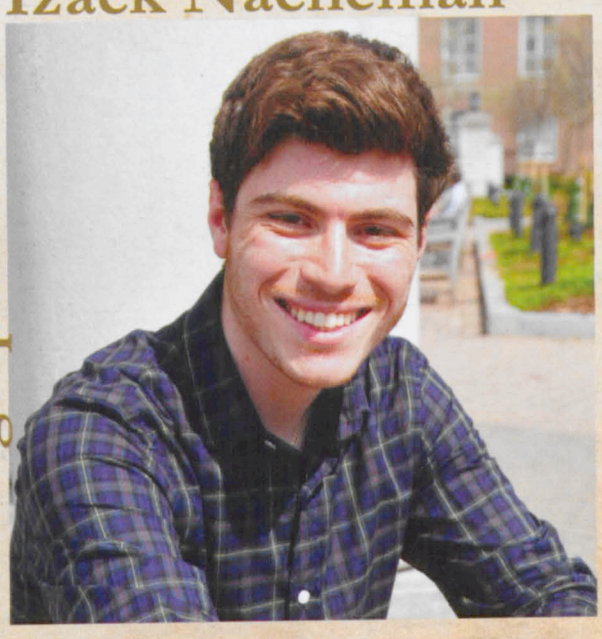
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